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# Disgruntled Republicans Use Buchanan to Send A New Warning to Bush

By E. J. Dionne Jr. and John E. Yang

Washington Pour Service
WASHINGTON — Despite President
George Busb's victories in Republican primaries in Georgia, Maryland and Colorado, voters again used the candidacy of Patrick J.
Buchanan to express strong disenchantment
with the status quo and gave him enough
support to carry on his campaign of protect

support to carry on his campaign of protest.

Marlin Fitzwater, the Bush spokesman, conceded Wednesday. "There is a protest vote out

In Georgia on Tuesday, Mr. Buchanan, with 36 percent, nearly equaled his share in last month's New Hampshire primary. Almost as striking was his showing in Maryland: He won 30 percent in a state where he barely campaigned and which has a strong moderate Republican tradition, Mr. Buchanan also won 30 percent of the vote in Colorado, which his campaign bypassed to concentrate on Georgia.

The conservative commentator's showing in Georgia, a state with an unemployment rate well below the national average, exploded White House claims that the New Hampshire result was an accident of that state's dire economic circumstances,

Nevertheless, on Wednesday Mr. Bush said,

With 99 percent of the precincts reporting in Georgia, Mr. Bush had 64 percent and Mr. Buchanan 36 percent. In Maryland, with 100 percent of the precincts in, Mr. Bush had 70 percent and Mr. Buchanan 30 percent. Mr. Bush had 67 percent to Mr. Buchanan's 30

percent in Colorado with all precincts counted.
"We've done it again!" an ebullient Mr. Buchanan told boisterous supporters in Atlanta, continuing his practice of using a defeat to declare victory. "We're going to go all the way, my friends, because the battle of Georgia is now over, and it is won, and the hattle of the South begins,"

Mr. Buchanan said that if he could improve his performance in the contests to come, Mr. Bush's campaign could "collapse like a house

Taken with the 31 percent of the vote cast against Mr. Bush in South Dakota last week for an uncommitted slate of delegates, the voting on Tuesday suggested an undercurrent against the president in his own party that may be only indirectly related to Mr. Buchanan's

In Maryland and Georgia, the exit polls made clear that the vote for Mr. Buchanan was largely a protest against Mr. Bush. In both states, well over half the Buchanan voters responded that they had voted for him "to send a message." Only about 40 percent of the Buchanan voters in Georgia and 30 percent of his

best president." Mr. Buchanan said he would visit Louisiana, percent.

Oklahoma, Mississippi, Texas, Massachusetts and Rhode Island before the Super Tuesday primaries next week. The Bush forces are espe-cially concerned about the Buchanan potential in Louisiana, where the state party chairman has backed the challenger.

In a sign of how seriously the White House takes next week's contests, Mr. Bush left Wednesday morning for a weeklong campaign trip that will take him to seven Southern and

Although Mr. Bush emerged from the voting on Tuesday with a huge lead over Buchanan in convention delegates — 148 for the president, 20 for his challenger — the Buchanan showing appeared to guarantee he would stay in the race for some time and that he could dog Mr. Bush all the way to the Republican convention in August. A long bard fight could make Mr. Bush more vulnerable to a Democrat in the

Mr. Fitzwater said Mr. Buchanan's continued challenge was "certainly not helpful as you go into a general election."

He added: "I think Republicans should give that some thought. President Bush is going to

Nothing that happened improved Mr. Buchanan's virtually negligible chances of actual-ly wresting the Republican presidential nomination from Mr. Bush, But the exit polls, conducted for the television networks and ma-jor news organizations, including The Washington Post, were full of danger signs for the president in the fall.

In Maryland and Georgia, better than a third of Republican primary voters said they disapproved of Mr. Bush's handling of his joh. The exit polls suggested that the Bush campaign had difficulty with two of its central

efforts: convincing voters of Mr. Bush's con-cern for average Americans and and making the Gulf War a voting issue. In Georgia, it was Mr. Buchanan, not Mr.

Bush, who won decisively among voters who said their candidate "cares about people like And although the Bush forces attacked Mr.

Buchanan's opposition to the Gulf War in its Georgia television commercials, only 12 per-cent of the state's Republican primary voters said the war was an issue that influenced their decision — not much more than the 7 percent who had said this in New Hampshire.

Mr. Buchanan clearly benefited from Georgia's election laws, which allowed any voter to pick up a Republican primary hallot, Mr. Bush won close to 70 percent from Georgia Republican primary voters who called themselves Republicans. But self-described independents split their ballots almost evenly, and self-described Democrats gave Mr. Buchanan over 60



President Bush getting a good-bye kiss from his wife, Barbara, as he left the White House Wednesday for a campaign trip.

# It's Tsongas and Clinton (and Brown)

By Thomas B. Edsall and Dan Balz

Washington Past Service WASHINGTON - Paul E. Tsongas, showing strength beyond New England, has

won the Maryland and Utah primaries, while Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas scored a

decisive victory in the Georgia primary.

But on Tuesday, a day that continued the inconsistent pattern of the Democratic presidential race, Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr., the former California governor, was the surprise winner in the Colorado primary, and Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa eked out a victory in the Idaho caucus.

Two other states - Minnesota and Wash-

The outcome of the voting on Tuesday established Mr. Tsongas, a former Massachusetts senator, and Mr. Clinton as the frontrunners in the fight for the Democratic nomination, which now enters a potentially decisive phase.

Mr. Tsongas's victories in Maryland and Utah, after earlier victories in New Hampshire and Maine, proved his claim that he is more than a regional candidate. But the Colorado results were a disappointment to the former senator, who led the polls in the final week only to lade to third in the lace of a surge by Mr. Brown and his campaign against

politics as usual. In combination with his second-place finington - held caucuses, with preliminary ish in Colorado, Mr. Clinton's impressive samples of selected precincts showing Mr. margin in Georgia — he won 57 percent of Harkin running ahead in Minnesota and Mr. the vote, his first victory of the campaign in those two states were not immediately southern primaries that will be held on Super da and his state coordinator, Paul Pezzella, Tsongas leading in Washington. Final results gave him a boost for the round of largely Tuesday next week. Those will be followed on

March 17 hy the Northern battlegrounds of Illinois and Michigan. "Voters are clearly voting for change," Mr.

Clinton said. "They are voting for change in overwhelming numbers in the Democratic Party and a lot of Republicans are saying, we don't like the way things are going, either."

Mr. Brown's upset victory in Colorado

gave a strong lift to a campaign that has been repeatedly dismissed since he declared his candidacy last fall, pledging to rid politics of the corrupt influence of money. Savoring his victory in Colorado, Mr.

Brown told interviewers the key was that "people are indignant, they think they're get-ting ripped off."

ing ripped off.
Senator Boh Kerrey of Nebraska, who had once hoped to win Colorado, ran poorly in all four states with primaries. On Wednesday, Mr. Kerrey canceled a campaign trip to Flori-

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### Kiosk

# China Avoids

GENEVA (AFP) — The United Nations Human Rights Commission decided Wednesday to shelve a resolu-

After extended debate, the

Crossword Weather

# Britain Moves to Grant African Asylum From Germany

Washington Post Service

BERLIN - The British government has given a Sudanese man who fled anni-foreigner attacks in Germany temporary permission to stay in London because he has a "well-founded fear of persecution

nation, according to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The case is one of several in which foreigners who sought asylum in Germany have fled the country because of continuing attacks by skinheads and neo-Nazis.

The ruling appears to be the first time a West ken, spokesman for the UN refugee commissioner European country has taken a step toward granting political asylum to a refugee from a fellow Western Europe.

"This is obviously a very sensitive about added. "Every European Community country has signed the Geneva Convention. The question is, is

"This is obviously a very sensitive issue," he caught, the refugees have asked Britain for asylum not only from their country of origin, but also from

Normally, when Britain finds refugees who have already filed for asylum in another Western country, the Home Office sends the refugees back to

# Congress Warns Baker Over Aid for **Truce Forces**

# Legislators Say the U.S. Already Pays Too Much For UN Peacekeeping

By Don Oberdorfer Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Secretary of State James

A. Baker 3d has been warned in sharp terms that Congress may not fund large increases in United Nations peacekeeping activities in Cambodia, Yugoslavia and other places where diplomats have been striving to stop fighting.

The chairman, Neal Smith, Democrat of lowa, and other members of the House Appropriations subcommittee handling State Department funds complained at length on Tuesday about the rising costs of UN peacekeeping, which is a rapidly growing item in a U.S. budget that includes cutbacks for many other programs. Under current arrangements, the United States is committed to pay 30 percent of

total UN costs for peacekeeping activities.

Peacekeeping activities are "indeed going to continue to increase," Mr. Baker said, largely because "we are in a new day, and with the collapse of the East-West confrontation, we are seeing the resolution of a lot more of these regional conflicts" that afflicted the world in

past decades. Calling UN peacekeeping "a good buy." he said that "we bave spent trillions of dollars to win the Cold War, and we ought to be willing to spent millions of dollars to secure the peace."

But legislators were particularly upset by the large-scale peacekeeping operation planned for Camhodia, which has been wracked by wars for decades. After several years of negotiation, the Cambodian government and three guerrilla fac-tions signed a UN-sponsored peace accord, in October, but the carrying out of the accord is dependent on a UN peacekeeping force to disarm combatants and oversee free elections.

UN plans call for a peacekeeping force of 22,000 troops in Cambodia at a cost of \$1.9 hillion over the next 18 months. Mr. Smith questioned how much good 22,000 peacekeepers will do "when you can't tell when you meet somebody on the street what faction they are

Mr. Baker acknowledged that the Cambodian situation was "extraordinarily complex" and said it was the view of the United States and other major nations that "you ought not go in there with an insufficient or inadequate force of

Representative Harold D. Rogers, Republican of Kentucky, complained that the U.S. share of the peacekeeping cost was too great. poling that the UN intended to send a force of 14,000 troops to Yugoslavia in addition to the

contingent in Cambodia. "It's not fair for us to pay such a huge share of the bill compared to Japan, Germany and other countries that are knocking our socks off

in the economic world these days," he said. If the United Nations were to slow down or

drastically reduce its peacekeeping plans in Cambodia, the peace accord would most likely collapse and civil war crupt in full force again, according to visitors from that country.

The Bush administration asked Congress to supply \$81 million for UN peacekeeping activi-ties in fiscal year 1990 and \$116 million in 1991. For the current fiscal year of 1992, Congress has been asked for a special appropriation of \$350 million for the U.S. share of UN peacekeeping efforts, and the same amount is being

sought in the fiscal 1993 budget.

# **UN Criticism**

tion condemning China for human-rights abuses.

commission decided by a vote of 27 to 15, with 10 abstentions, not to consider the resolution, which was sponsored by Western nations.

General News

Ex-Soviet republics may face famine next year, Russia's new U.S. envoy said. Page 2.

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# Algeria Outlaws Islamic Front

It said those thwarted from the

to turn to "other means."

The Front threatened Sunday to

"let the people take recourse to the

solution they judge the most expe-

dient" if the party were banned. Previously, party leaders have urged their followers to avoid vio-

Front militants had clashed re-

peatedly with security forces after

the authorities in January canceled

an unfinished general election. The Front took 188 of the 231 seats

of voting on Dec. 26.

decided outright in the first round

At least 50 people were killed and about 300 wounded in the

clashes. Thousands of other people

were arrested. On Feb. 9, the au-

thorities ordered a 12-month state

weeks by the police.

ALGIERS — A judge ordered the dissolution of Algeria's Islamic

Salvation Front on Wednesday.

nearly two months after it was de-

nied almost certain victory in par-

The decision, which takes effect

in one week but is subject to appeal, closed off any legal outlet for the fundamentalist party's militants who want to make Algeria an

Interior Minister Larbi Belkheir

asked the court on Feb. 9 to order

the dissolution or suspension of the

Front, accusing it of multiple viola-

Although it was not known if the

party would appeal, the Front said

in a communique Monday that Al-

geria faced "an uncertain future" if

a ban were imposed. The statement

was signed by Abderrazak Radjam.

liamentary elections.

Islamic state.

"This is really a new thing," said Stefan Teloe-

Germany willing or able to protect asylum-seek-ers? In general, the answer is yes, but in specific cases, there are some questions."

foreigners passing through London's Heathrow Airport with falsified documents on their way from

Germany to Canada or other countries. Once

Brirish border authorities have caught several

that country for processing of their claim. The Sudanese man, 26, spent almost a year in an

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### 101 DEAD IN MINE BLAST IN TURKEY - Women waiting Wednesday for news of relatives missing after a coal mine explosion in Kozlu, Turkey. The bodies of 101 miners have been recovered, while 150 were missing and feared dead. Page 2.

Elite Schools' Fiscal Woes Wither the Ivy

# French Diet Redux: Hold the Foie Gras

By Marian Burros New York Times Service

NEW YORK - After news reports in the last few months that the French eat as much fat as Americans yet have about half the number of heart attacks, sales of red wine and foie gras soared in the United States.

But those who were quick to embrace the promise of this French paradox may have to step back again.

An American nutritionist says there is a simple explanation: The French have only recently begun to eat as much fat as Americans have been eating for almost half a century, so it will take several decades before the French heart disease rate is likely to match the American rate.

"The French paradox is a narrow window in time," said the nutritionist, Dr. Marion Nestle, "The French diet is newly high in fat, and heart disease rates just haven't had time to catch up."

and editor of the surgeon general's 1988 Report on Nutrition and Health.

In a paper presented in New York at a symposium on wine, she said that the French diet was quite low in fat in 1965. It was not until 1985 that French consumption of fat caught up with American levels. It takes 20 to 30 years for arteries to become clopped.

Dr. Nestle's paper came after several months of news reports linking consumption of red wine with a low rate of heart disease, In the eight weeks ending Jan. 12, sales of red wine in U.S. supermarkets rose to 1,374,000 cases, 354,000 more than the 1,020,000 sold in the same period of the preceding 12 months.

Sales of foie gras have increased too, since news reports in November on French research suggesting that foic gras consumption might be beneficial to the heart.

Dr. Serge Renaud, a French researcher,

Dr. Nestle is chairwoman of the department of nutrition at New York University might improve cardiovascular bealth. He has also suggested that drinking wine provides protection against coronary heart disease. Dr. Renaud, director of the French National Institute of Health and Medical Re-

search in Lyon, was on the panel with Dr.

purely on religion.

to be sought.

lence, operating underground.

Nestle in New York. He said that Dr. Nestle "could be right." But, noting that much of Americans' fat comes from meat, he added: "The type of fat is different in France. The increase comes from cheese, and cheese fat is different. We have no indication that the increased intake of fat will increase the rate of coronary heart

The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization has kept data on national food supplies since 1961, when 28 percent of the calories consumed by the French came from fat. Fat consumption has increased rapidly

See FAT. Page 6

By Anthony DePalma New York Times Service NEW YORK - With their accumulated power and privilege, the

eight institutions of the lvy League long have stood apart from most other colleges and universities in the United States. But in these economically troubled times, the lvies find themselves under the same sort of financial pressures as the smallest community college or state-run university.

The University of Pennsylvania

is scrambling to stop the state government from cutting nearly \$40

Yale is saddled with an \$8.8 mil-lion budget shortfall. Columbia is vice president for finance at Har-and must be repaired. looking at a deficit of at least \$15 million for next year, and Harvard, which usually does not release budget figures until months after its with a little bit less."

fiscal year ends, disclosed that it

The same hardship finished the last academic year with ing all the elite institutions, though

shortfall since 1974. Dartmouth - expect to end this year with their budgets halanced, hut to do so they have had to change the way they do business.

The other Ivy League schoolds cut back its support of university

— Brown, Cornell, Princeton and research. And the recession has

The same hardships are squeeznounced shortfall of \$41.9 million

a deficit of \$41.9 million, its first some have been hurt more than others. The federal government has lowered returns on endowments.

ways to be smarter, and we're going

to have to try to do a little bit more

Employee health care benefits have increased substantially, universities must spend more on stu-"This is a rather difficult time for dent financial aid and many cam-

vard. "We're going to have to find

To keep this all in perspective, the Ivy League is not in a fire-sale position. Each of the eight enjoys a substantial endowment - investments that can throw off enough unearned income to ease most budget problems. For instance, Harvard's an-

amounts to only 3.5 percent of its \$1.2 hillion overall operating bud-

The gap comes in part because See LEAGUE, Page 6

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - The former Soviet republics will most likely get through this winter without any famine hut disruptions in planting this spring could lead to serious shortages oext year, according to Russia's new ambassador to Wash-

"I don't think that this year fam-ine is the real menace," said Vladimir N. Lukin during an interview in the Russian Embassy. "Of course, in some parts the situation in foodstuffs will be difficult, but I am sure that we will survive until the new harvest."

Mr. Lukin, 59, said he was much more concerned about next winter. "First, everything depends on the Almighty whether it will be a

good harvest," he said. "Second it will depend on whether we succeed in implementing our agrarian reform — in a situation in which our agricultural industry is in crisis. I am afraid that this harvest will not be matched by appropriate preparations and that is frankly why I consider the next year the most difficult."

Mr. Lukin, who served as the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Russian Parliament before assuming the post of the first Russian ambassador in the United States since 1917, said that such concerns underscored the need for Russia and the United technical and bumanitarian assistance to the former Soviet Union.

By Thomas L. Friedman provided, and blamed Russia for many of the failures in getting assistance to the right places at the right time, he nevertheless made it clear that unless the United States and the West did more to support the emerging democracies of the Commonwealth of Independent States, they would turn to other countries, like Iran, for help.

> "We have to make many choices," said Mr. Lukin, who speaks good English thanks to his 19 years of work as an analyst at the U.S.A.-Canada Institute. "We would prefer to do it with the United States because we consider it the first democracy. But we should look for some alternatives if it is

Mr. Lukin said that "the understandable desire to get anything from anybody could lead to "undesirable connections." Therefore, be said, the question of supporting Russia and other reform-minded republics cannot be lonked at by the West from a narrow security, or

economic, perspective. Rather, he said, it has to be looked at more broadly from the perspective of supporting the spread of democracy around the globe, as well as the security of

"If the United States does not do something very effective," he said, "not only for Russia but with this whole Eurasian area, the political leadership would be reproached for States to cooperate in organizing a lost historical opportunity, and strategic opportunity to create a combined military, economic, so-While he repeatedly expressed cial and pobtical common space in thanks for aid that Washington has which democracy can live."



Relatives of a man killed by cross fire in fighting between Armenians and Azerbaijanis mourning Wednesday after his burial in Agdam.

# Ex-Soviet Army Resumes Pullout From Armenian Area

AGDAM, Azerbaijan --- Military helicopters resumed airlifting troops of the former Soviet Army out of Nagorno-Karabakh on Wednes-day after the pullout was suspended because of an attack on withdrawing forces.

The helicopters, escorted by MI-24 helicopter gunships, were flying in and out of this

has begun to sink in.

dominated enclave, which is part of Azerbaijan. They were resuming an operation begun Sunday to evacuate men and materiel of the 366th Regiment from Stepanakert, Nagorno-Karabakh's main town.

Marshal Yevgeni I. Shaposhnikov, com-mander in chief of Commonwealth of Independent States armed forces, ordered the evacuation halted Tuesday after an army sergeant was

missing from Vukovar.

covered in the rubble.

certainly dead.

Of these, several hundred are known to be

prisoners of the Serbian-led Yugoslav Army, whose artillery spearheaded the attack on the

town. But many others on the list are almost

Yugoslav military commanders in Vukovar say large numbers of bodies remain unre-

Others may have been victims of the sum-

mary executions by both sides that were

reported to be rife at the height of the fight-

ing, and whose bodies were thrown into the

Whatever the final toll, there is a numb-

Danube or tossed into unmarked pits.

killed in an Armenian attack on the withdraw-

nian civilians was downed Tuesday with the loss of six lives. Thirty-one people survived, Tass said, Armenians blamed Azerbaijanis (or

In Turkey

By Alan Cowell
New York Times Service

doned hope for 150 believed still

northwest of Ankara, said that 101 bodies had been recovered and that

The whole nation is mourning.

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Mine union officials said they

The passages were full of bodies as we ran for the upper levels." one

"We heard a noise like a rushing

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wind," he said after being trapped

of the 560-meter-deep (1,840-font)

mine with toxic gases. Rescue offi-

cials said they were focusing oo sealing off galleries filled with car-

bon monoxide gases rather than

digging into dehris to lonk for sur-

The mine is in an area where low-

quality coal has been produced for

150 years and the mines have sunk

deeper and become more expen-

sive. Since 1945, 107 people have

Despite Turkey's poor record in

mine safety, officials at the Kozlu

mine insisted that highly efficient

equipment had been installed to detect methane buildups. On Tues-

day night, bowever, the gas buildup was reportedly so rapid there was

no time for automatic detectors to

"Methane gas concentration in the pit had increased rapidly in 15

seconds and the blast occurred be-

fore the detector alarm could

sound," said the mine union leader,

A senior government official,

Omer Barutcu, said that "modern

technology was being used" and that no fault had been found with

Ozer Olcer, general manager of the state Coal Board, said: "We

have entered most parts of the pit,

signal the danger.

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safety precautions.

died in five mine accidents.

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of toxic gas.

75 miners had been injured.

The pullout resumed after a Commonwealth military helicopter carrying wounded Arme-

#### 101 Miners U.S. Having a Record Warm Winter **Are Dead**

ASHEVILLE, North Carolina (AP) - The winter of 1991-92 may be the warmest on record in the United States, according to the National

WORLD BRIEFS

Honecker Is 'Faking,' Germany Says BONN (Renters) -- The German government said Wednesday that Erich Honecker, the former East German leader, was feigning illness, and it pressed Russia to do all it could to return him to Germany for trial.

There are signs that Honecker is faking," said the government

spokesman, Dieter Vogel. Chile's foreign minister, Enrique Silva Cimna

quoted a medical report from Moscow saying that Mr. Honecker did not have cancer. "The general state of the patient is completely satisfactory,"

the report said. "He has oo pain."

Mr. Honecker, 79, left a Moscow hospital Tuesday and returned to the Chilean Embassy, where he was given refuge in December. Germany

wants him extradited to face trial on manslaughter charges in connection

Truce Starts to Calm Somali Fighting

NAIROBI (AP) — A day after clan leaders pledged to observe a cease-fire that they ignored for more than two weeks, only small arms fire was reported Wednesday in Somalia's embattled capital, Mogadishu. "It is calmer today," said a relief official in radio contact with colleagues in Mogadishu. "Of course that does not mean there isn't the

On Tuesday, the interim president, Ali Mahdi Mohammed and his

rival, General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, pledged to take immediate steps to observe a cease-fire brokered by the United Nations that was agreed to

Feb. 14. The accord aimed to end a battle that has killed or wounded more than 30,000 people—mostly women and children—since Nov. 17. Hundreds of thousands have fled to the countryside and are without

FBI Is Investigating Bush Drug Aide

WASHINGTON (WP) — The FBI is conducting an inquiry into the handling of more than \$63,000 in surplus campaign funds from the unsuccessful 1990 re-election bid of Bob Martinez, then governor of Florida and now President George Bush's director of national drug control policy, according to informed sources.

Mr. Martinez was custimed by the EBI

Mr. Martinez was questioned by the FBI two weeks ago about his decision to send two checks amounting to \$63,644 to the Florida

Republican Party on Oct. 30. Accompanying the checks was e letter, carrying an Executive Office of the President letterhead, in which Mr.

Martinez wrote that it was his hope the funds would "be used for the purpose of getting Florida citizens to support George Bush and Dan Quayle for re-election in 1992."

Sources said one part of the inquiry was aimed at determining whether Mr. Martinez might have violated U.S. election law limiting contribu-

Mr. Martinez might have volated 13. electron law initing containstions to \$1,000. But sources said agents also questioned the role of his former campaign manager, J. M. (Mac.) Stipanovich. A state prosecutor in Tallahassee, Florida, is conducting his own investigation into the matter after allegations that Mr. Stipanovich had initially sought to convert some of the funds to his personal use, sources said.

adequate food or water.

with shoot-to-kill orders he gave guards at the Berlin Wall.

The agency said the season's average temperature for the 48 contiguous states was 36.87 degrees Fahrenheit (2.7 centigrade). The warmest previous winter was that of 1953-54, at 36 degrees Fahrenheit. The records go hack 97 years.

ANKARA - A methane gas ex-Former Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel regained conscious-oess Wednesday, but remained in critical condition after suffering a heart plosion deep underground at a state-run Turkish coal mine left 101 miners dead Wednesday, and res-cue workers said they had aban-

Work resumed in Niamey and other Niger towns Wednesday after union leaders called off a general strike and the government said mutinous soldiers would return to barracks. Shops, banks and government offices opened again and cars and camels jammed the dusty streets after two days of a strike called to protest against military threats to the country's fragile democracy.

For the Record

trapped in the country's worst min-Officials at Kozlu, in the Black Sea coal-mining area of Zongul-dak, 275 kilometers (170 miles)

### TRAVEL UPDATE

#### said Prime Minister Sulcyman De-Ramadan Begins for Many Muslims mirel, who traveled to the towo MANAMA, Bahrain (AFP) - Millions of Gulf Arabs and other where the explosions at around 8 P.M. oo Tuesday transformed the

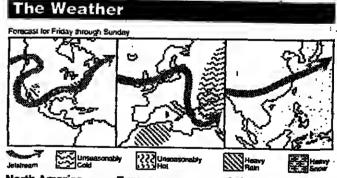
Muslims began observing Ramadan on Wednesday. For most Gulf and Arab states Ramadan began Wednesday after

religious officials there said they had sighted the crescent moon marking the start of the month in which the Koran was revealed to the Prophet Mohammed, Muslims elsewhere, including those in Malaysia and other Asian countries, were expected to start fasting Thursday or Friday. Belgium will postpone putting into effect a regulation that would

require drivers to use their headlights in the daytime, the Transport Ministry said. The rule was to have gone into effect in Belgium. Internbourg and the Netherlands on Oct. 1, but will be put off because the Dutch government has not yet decided oo the measure. Traffic experts say daylight use cuts road accidents by 10 percent.

British Rail began offering compensation on Wednesday to long-suffering passengers for delays and cancellations. A new "passenger's charter" offers vouchers for future travel if trains are canceled or are late by more than one hour.

At least 46 people were murdered in Rio de Janeiro during the four days of Carnival. Brazilian press reports said Wednesday. But violent crime decreased sharply this year compared to last year's Carnival, when 157 people met violent deaths, 74 of them murdered. (AFP)



North America Clouds will gray the Great Lakes region much of the time through Sunday, and

Europe Springlike warmth will con-Springlike warmth will con-tinue over Western and Central Europe Finday into the coming weekend. A few showers will occur in London Finday and egast late Sunday. Paris through Berlin will have dry weath-er each day. Turkey will have cold, snowy weather.

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# In a Croat Cemetery, Ethnic Hatred Row by Row

By John F. Burns New York Times Service

VUKOVAR, Croatia - For a grasp of the miseries that have befallen Yugoslavia, few places are more powerful than the cemetery ontside this devastated town.

In December 1944, soldiers of the Bulgarian Army who died fighting the retreating Nazi troops were the first to be brought to the graveyard on the outskirts of Vukovar. Now, nearly 50 years later, it has become the final resting place of some of the victims of the latest battle for this town. Under a plateau of wintry mud, the bodies

of more than 900 men, women and children lie shoulder to shoulder in plastic body bags, each marked by a crude cross of rain-stained The crosses are the only memorial to the

siege in the fall that made Vukovar perhaps the most hrutal battleground of the civil war between Serbs and Croats, the two largest ethnic groups in Yugoslavia. The graves also stand as a stark reminder! of the hitterness of ethnic hatreds, sup-

ruhhle where Vukovar and its 45,000 people used to be. Set on a gentle curve in the Danube River, the 700-year-old town was it is only now that the scope of the disaster used to be. Set on a gentle curve in the Danube River, the 700-year-old town was celebrated for its graceful baroque buildings dating to the centuries it spent under Austro-

Now Vukovar is so utterly devastated by bombardment that some there doubt that it

ombardment that some there doubt that it ruins. A report in January by Helsinki an ever be rebuilt.

Watch, a human-rights group, said survivors in Zagreb, the capital of Croatia, had com-

# **Bosnia Trying to Quell Conflicts**

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia - The Bosnian

government sent senior ministers to trouble zones oo Wednesday to calm ethnic conflicts that have erupted since the republic voted for independence from Yugoslavia last week-

pressed by decades of communist rule, that the tense northern region of Bosnia borderhave exploded after the collapse of commu-nism across Eastern Europe and the Soviet

Croats and 31 percent Serbs whose political ambitions clash. The United Nations mediator, Cyrus R.

Forensie scientists who came to Vukovar

from Belgrade to help identify the dead say at least 2,000 bodies were pulled from the

Vance, was returning to Yugoslavia on Wednesday for talks with the political leaders of the disintegrating Balkan federation. Diplomats said Mr. Vance would be met At least eight people were reported hurt with demands for the extension of United during incidents between Muslims and Serbs Nations peacekeeping efforts to Bosnia to in the Sarajevo area and at Bosanski Brod in avert the growing possibility of civil war. with demands for the extension of United Diplomats have been alarmed by the simi-

larity of the situation in Bosnia and the Beyond the graveyard, there is little hut cludes 44 percent Muslims, 17 percent es between Croats and Serbs grew into war, irrational urges."

The republic's 4.3 million population inevents in Croatia last July when initial clash-consequence of giving in to people's most es between Croats and Serbs grew into war, irrational urges."

oess now among those who survived the fighting, a sense of bewilderment that matters spun so completely out of control.
"Even those who fived through it can

hardly believe that it happened." said Major Tihomir Nikolic, 41, a psychologist in the Yugoslav Army. At the Vukovar hospital, partly functioning again now after it ton came under fire,

Major Nikolic said. "Perhaps the best thing we could do oow is to leave the city just as it

is, so that future generations can see the

the oumber of men trapped in the mine, except for tallying the numher of missing miners' lamps. Kraiewski, the health minister of Saarland, of the injured survivors, Salih Yanik, told Reuters.

In Lower Saxony, which borders the Netherlands, Social Welfare Minister Walter Hill-

current drug laws are constitutional, the political debate over legalization is likely to continue. Officials in the state of North amounts of hashish and marijuana. Leaders

#### Germany Ponders Wisdom of Ban on 'Soft' Drugs guaranteeing all citizens equality before the By Stephen Kinzer But an unexpected oumher of elected offilaw. He also said it violated a provision cials have welcomed Judge Nescovie's deci-

New York Times Service

BONN - A German judge has set off a national debate by ruling that laws against the possession of marijuana and hashish are

Leaders of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's governing coalition have condemned the decision, but many senior opposition figures bave endorsed it. A ruling from the highest court in Germany is expected later in the

The decision was handed down last week the ruling. tenced to two months in prison for possession of 1.12 grams (0.04 ounce) of hashish.

In his decision, Judge Nescovic eppraised ijuana violated the constitutional provision socialist political agenda."

guaranteeing personal freedoms that do not infringe on the rights of others.

relatively limited." Indge Nescovie wrote. He cited a German medical study that concluded that smoking one or two joints of newspaper Bild am Sonntag that "the drug marijuana a day was harmless, "or at a policy we have been following is a failure." minumum, less dangerous than the daily consumption of alcohol or 20 cigarettes."

Conservative politicians quickly criticized

case concerned a woman who had been sen- ocratic Union, said legalizing hashish and in local greenhouses. marijuana would be "capitulation to crimi-

Another Christian Democratic member of the dangers of alcohol and ruled that keeping Parliament, Rolf Olderog, accused Judge judicial functions. alcohol legal while banning hashish and mar- Nescovic of using his post to pursue a "left-

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sion. Some, including the justice minister in the state of Lower Saxony, Heidi Alm-Merk, The physical effects of cannabis use are said they themselves had used hashish.

A leading Social Democratic member of

parliament, Gudrun Schaich-Walch, told the She said Germany should adopt a drug

policy like that of the Netherlands. More than 2,000 Dutch coffee shops offer marijuana and hashish for sale. The trade is regulathy Wolfgang Nescovic, an appeals court judge in the northern city of Lübeck. The Parliament from Mr. Kohl's Christian Dem-Support for Judge Nescovic's decision has

come from many state capitals. In Germany, states are responsible for most police and

out of the zone of illegality," said Christiane port the proposal.

The interior minister of Saarland, Friedel Lacopple, who is responsible for justice, said, "I would lonk positively on any policy that decriminalizes the use of soft drugs."

er said it was "a dumh argument" to assert that hashisb or marijuana use normally leads to the use of more dangerous drugs. He said that even if the substances remained illegal, they should be "unofficially tolerated." Even if Germany's high court rules that

Rhine-Westphalia said over the weekend that they would submit a bill in the German parliament to legalize the possession of small "It is high time to take cannabis products of several other states said they would sup-

# ASYLUM: Britain Moves to Shelter African Who Fled Anti-Foreign Violence in Germany

(Continued from page 1) asylum-seekers' hostel in Western Germany after filing an asylum firm that is representing the refu-

But after his hostel in Goslar was attacked several times by rightist extremists, including an incident in which a friend of the man was slashed in the neck, the Sudanese

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firm Wynn Stanley Burgess, which represented the Lebanese woman.
"The children had been intimidated and physically attacked, and after their hostel was attacked, the residents were advised to form selfdefense groups." The Home Office spokeswoman

back to Germany because she had been in Germany for two years and "in general, we consider Germany a safe country." The German Foreign Ministry

referred questions about the British asylum cases to the Interior Ministry. The Interior Ministry referred questions to the Federal Office for the Recognition of Refugees. A spokesman for that office said there was no record of any asylumseekers leaving Germany for other The German government has re-

costs, the coal produced in the that it is doing everything possible to protect them.

2,074 attacks on foreigners, many coal from outside Turkey. of them refugees, last year. Although media coverage of the wave has degenerated," he said in an of attacks bas virtually ceased in interview in Istanbul. "This is a recent weeks, parliament sources in blatant system of exploitation. It is Boun say that the violence has con-tinued at similarly high levels.

ain.
The woman felt her children were threatened by Nazi thugs both in and outside of school," said Martin Penrose of the London law but fires may be raging in other parts. We are building walls in

places where we have abandoned hope of survival. There may also be said that the woman was deported It remained unclear why the methane buildup was undetected, and miners voiced bitter complaints about safety procedures.

The mine was at the center of another controversy in January when a senior Istanbul husinessman, Ishak Alaton, drew up a pian to close it because, he said, it not only is dangerous but also is uneco-Mr. Alaton said Wednesday that, because of huge government subsidies and high production

peatedly assured asylum-seekers stricken area was so expensive that it would be cheaper to keep the 32,000 miners on full pay but close the mine and import better quality Government figures counted

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# man fled in December, said Sonal Britain as well, but in Germany it's Sudanese man would be held in Lebanese woman and her four chilarticularly had." detention during the investigation dren back to Germany in January The Sudanese refugee, said a and that he would be sent back to Ghelani, a lawyer in the London particularly had."

"The German police said they couldn't do anything to protect the hostel," Mr. Ghelani said. "Germany seems unable to protect these

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to total about \$5 billion. The amount in the United States is about \$500 million, according to recent congressional testimony by Bush administration officials.

By Paul Lewis

New York Times Service

UNITED NATIONS, New

York - The United States and the

other four permanent members of

Iraq to resume seiling oil, its major export, under the terms of the cease-fire that ended the Gulf War. The terms require that the money be handed over to the United Nations, which would then spend it on food and medicine, the elimination of Iraqi weapons and reparations to Kuwait and to individuals who suffered losses as a result of the Iraqi invasion and occupation.

Iraq has returned some of the persuade Iraq to lift the trade property it plundered from Ku-blockade on the Kurdish region property it plundered from Ku-wait, but so far has refused to sell its oil, despite evidence of mounting hardship in Iraq. The government says it will not compromise its sovereignty by having the United Nations dictate how Iraqi mnn-

Shiite Muslims in the south.

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al embargo against Iraq was im-posed be put under UN control.

These assets, in the form of oil and

delayed oil payments, have already

been earmarked by the council for

compensation payments and hu-

Another option, officials say,

would be a resolution directing the

Bank for International Settlements to hand over more than \$300 millinn that Iraq keeps there. This cash

is a deposit from which the bank

settles other countries' trade accounts with Iraq.
Finally, the Security Council could order or encourage countries

to unblock Iraq bank deposits and

The Security Council committee

overseeing sanctions against lraq has already said that governments

may unfreeze such funds at their

discretion, provided they use the

money to send humanitarian goods

to Iraq. But the United States and

the 12 European Community coun-

tries agreed not to do so in order to

encourage Baghdad to accept the

oil-sales plan.

other financial assets.

UN Seeks to Use Iraqi Assets

To Pay for War-Related Costs

Because Iraq has refused to sell oil, the fund set up to pay compensation remains empty.

The United States has suggested that priority go to compensating poor foreign workers who lost their savings as a result of the invasion, since this would provide a useful injection of hard currency into countries like Bangladesh, Sri Lan-ka and Egypt, which are heavily dependent on remittances from citizens working abroad.

Iraq is also refusing to cooperate with UN efforts to identify and destroy its most dangerous weapons, and is defying international pressure to end an economic blockade against the Kurdish region of

Britain and France are urging the council to send an envoy to

# Europe Needs GIs, U.S. General Says

By John Lancaster Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The top

American general in Europe says the United States needs to keep 150,000 troops there as a hedge against ethnic and nationalist tensions in former Warsaw Pact nations, Yugoslavia and former Sovi-

et republics like Georgia.

"The disappearance of the Soviet threat has not brought assurance of peace and stability to Europe," the general, John R. Galvin, commander of the U.S. European Command, told the Senate Armed Services Committee on Tuesday. "Other disturbing forces have moved to the forefront."

The annual pilgrimage to Capitol Hill of the U.S. military commander for Europe comes at a crucial time this year, as the Defense Department is engaged in a strenuous effort to justify its post-Cold War plans for reduced but stillsizable U.S. military forces.

Central to those plans is the maintenance of a substantial "forward presence" of American troops in Europe, Asia and the Gulf re-

General Galvin and senior American military officials travel-ing with him emphasized that in addition to providing security in Europe, U.S. forces there could be den to explain that concept in deployed elsewhere in emergencies, as they were during the Gulf War.

But as pressure mounts for a doward-presence strategy is proving to be a tough sell on Capitol Hill. In simpler times, Pentagon planours could point to the armies of the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact as justification for the presence of more

But in the absence of a Soviet threat, Pentagoo strategists are in the challenging position of identifying oew threats, many of them vague, without saying precisely how U.S. military forces would be

For instance, although General Galvin cited Yugoslavia as an example of "regional tensions" requiring a U.S. military presence in Europe, American policymakers have shown little interest in committing American troops to a

peacekeeping mission there. General Galvin acknowledged the difficulty of ideotifying specific threats, telling the committee, "Threats to U.S. interests remain, hut they are less clear and more diversified."

He repeated previous statements by senior Pentagon officials that the real enemy is "the uncertain" and that history provides ample reasons why it would be dangerous to withdraw to "fortress America."

"After the first World War, we developed an isolationist attitude and turned our backs on Europe," he said. "In doing so, we left behind an unstable and potentially explosive situatioo. History clearly shows that our military presence has a stabilizing effect on Europe

while benefiting our own security." Senator John Warner of Virginia, the committee's ranking Republican, said he agreed with General Galvin that "it is imperative that

we remain there." ". But he added: "We've got a burterms the layman-can understand. History will help with that explanation but more is needed."

■ Pact on Forces Signed

A total of 48 nations agreed Wednesday in Vienna on new mea sures to limit maneuvers of land force and tanks across Europe and on exchanges of information, The Associated Press reported.

than 300,000 American troops on The agreement was reached at a closed session of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. It aims to extend a broad swap of military information and limits on military movements to the Central Asian states of the former Soviet Union.

# Sandy Dennis, 54, Dies, **Won Oscar and 2 Tonys**

By Lee A. Daniels New York Times Service

Sandy Dennis, 54, who as a young actress in the 1960s entranced Broadway and Hollywood with performances that won her two Tooy awards and an Academy Award, died Monday in Westport, Connecticut, of cancer.

Ms. Dennis, born in Nebraska

and hiessed with an aura of appealing fragility, came to New York at 18 and within a decade had fashioned a string of outstanding per-

After making her movie debut in 1961 in a supporting role in "Splen-dor in the Grass," she won a Tony Award in 1963 for her performance, as a social worker, opposite Jason Robards in "A Thousand Clowns," and a year later, she won another Tony as the slightly offbeat mistress of a tycoon, played by Gene Hackman, in "Any Wednes-

Then, in 1966, she won an Academy Award for best supporting actress for her portrayal of Honey, the mousy, scared-of-her-own-shadow half of a young faculty couple alternately seduced and browbeaten hy Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton in Edward Albee's Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf."

She also drew critical praise for her 1967 role as the idealistic schoolteacher in the film "Up the

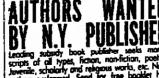
Down Staircase." In her later roles, Ms. Dennis

was oever able to match the dazzling successes of her earlier years in terms of either public acclaim or favorable reviews from critics. Where once crities had beeo charmed by her freshness and girl-next-door innocence, many later seemed to detect a mannered neryous quality.

Peter J. Crotty, 82, the kingmaker who dominated Democratic politics in western New York as the party chairman of Erie County and who was a force in the campaigns of John F. Kennedy for president and Robert F. Kennedy for the Senate, died Tuesday in Buffalo, New York, of a heart attack.

Lalla Abla, the mother of King Hassan II, died Sunday after a long illness. Her age was not disclosed. Her son, the king, is 63. She was the wife of King Mohammed V.

Chon In Chol, 68, North Korea's deputy foreign minister, died Monday of cancer. Mr. Chon headed North Korea's delegation to talks with Japan on establishing diplo-



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VANGUARD OF PROTEST — A protester outside the Ministry of Defense in London on Wednesday as Britain launched the first of a four-ship class of Trident-missile-armed nuclear submarines. The protesters sang and prayed for nuclear disarmament. The \$1 billion submarine launched Wednesday, the Vanguard, is armed with 16 Trident missiles, each with up to eight warheads. With its three sister ships, the class offers a potential 13-fold increase to British nuclear firepower.

# The Killing of a Mafia Boss

## Ex-Gotti Aide Tells N.Y. Court of Chilling Preparations

By Arnold H. Lubasch New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Salvatore Gravano, an admitted Mafia underboss, has given a detailed and chilling account of the murder of Paul Castellano and several other slavings that he said were ordered or authorized by John Gotti.

On Tuesday, Mr. Gravano, a crucial prosecution witness who turned informer four months ago, took the stand for the second day in the trial of Mr. Gorti and Frank Locascio, who are charged with murder, conspiracy and racketeering. Mr. Gotti, reputed boss of the Gambino crime family, maintained a fixed smile as be stared at his former friend and trusted aide in the tightly guarded Brooklyn courtroom.

Mr. Gravano said he and Mr. Gotti waited in a car on a Manhattan street corner while several of their associates killed Mr. Castellano, who was then the boss of the Gambino family, and his close aide, Thomas Bilotti, on Dec. 16, 1985.

We were looking down at Sparks Steak House," he

A car drew up alongside them and stopped for a red light, Mr. Gravano recalled. He said it was Mr. Castellano and Mr. Bilotti, who was driving.

He said he used a walkie-talkie to notify the gummen

up ahead. When the light turned, the car with Mr. Castellano drove through the intersection and parked in fram of the steak house, Mr. Gravano said. He said

"The shooters ran over to them, started shooting them," Mr. Gravano testified. Mr. Castellano was shot first, he said, and then Mr. Bilotti. Then, he said, Mr.

Gotti drove slowly up to the scene. He said he noticed that Mr. Bilotti was "gone" and that they then drove back to Brooklyn.

Earlier, Mr. Gravano testified that he and Mr. Gotti participated in the Castellano murder plot for several reasons, including Mr. Castellano's greed and a fear that he might kill Mr. Gotti in a dispute over the Gambino family's ban on drug dealing.

A prosecutor, John Gleeson, elicited Mr. Gravano's

testimony about meetings that he said resulted in the election of Mr. Gotti, who was a captain, to succeed

Mr. Castellano as boss of the family.

Mr. Gravano said Joseph Gallo, who was the family's counselor, presided over the first meeting of Gamhino captains. Mr. Gravano said he and a Gotti associate, Angelo Ruggiero, attended.

He said that Mr. Gallo told the captains that "we didn't know who killed Paul; we were investigating it. "Was there a reason that the other captains weren't told who killed Paul and Tommy?" the prosecutor

"Because there is a commission rule about killing a boss," Mr. Gravano answered, referring to the Mafia's

ruling body.
"What's the penalty for killing your hoss?" the

prosecutor asked "Death penalty." the witness answered.

# Senator's A-Bomb Joke Is a Dud in Japan

The Associated Press

TOKYO - Japanese officials on Wednesday described as indiscreet and in poor taste Senator Ernest F. Hallings's comment about the atomic bombing of Japan and said they did oot think the remark represented the feelings of most Americans.

Mr. Hollings, Democrat of South Carolina, told a group of workers in his home state on Monday that they should draw a mushroom cloud and put under-oeath it: Made in America by lazy and illiterate workers and tested in Japan."

The senator called his remark a joke and said his point was to criticize recent comments by Japanese I need to say," Mr. Numata said.

politicians that American workers are lazy and lack a

The chief Japanese government spokesman, Koichi Kato, said he did oot think that Mr. Hollings was speaking for most Americans, and added, "A joke that uses the atom bomh cannot be said to be a good joke,"

the Kyodo news agency reported. Apparently in an attempt to prevent the senator's remarks from fueling the war of words that has strained U.S.-Japan relations, a Foreign Ministry spokesman, Sadaaki Numata, said Mr. Hollings's comment was not worthy of an official response.

"One could comment on the taste of it, but that's all



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# A Tougher Foe for Bush

How alarmed should tolerant, optimistic Americans be about Patrick Buchanan's

showing in Tuesday's presidential primaries?
He attracted a third or more of the Republican vote in Georgia, Maryland and Colorado, just as be had in New Hampshire. For so sudden a candidate to do that well can be read as a victory for his fearful isolationism, nativism and protectionism.

But the Buchanan vote can also be taken as a protest against President George Busb and hard times. This is where the 31 percent figure comes in. That is the proportion of the vote won hy President Bush's only opponent in South Dakota on Feb. 25; Uncommitted - that is, No One at All.

The 31 percent figure established a standard for assessing bow many Republicans are voting against Mr. Bush as opposed to voting for someone else. In that light, voters seem more interested in Mr. Buchanan as a club with which to beat Mr. Bush than as a harsb ideological hero.

There was surely some harsb ideology in Georgia. In New Hampshire, Mr. Buchanan presented himself as reasonable, sympabecame an intolerant sloganeer. He defamed the Voting Rights Act as "an act of regional discrimination against the South." He lied to the jobless, telling them that anddiscrimination laws caused their jobs to be given to blacks. Even so, he did not greatly exceed the 31 percent threshold, especially not considering his Democratic crossover

The answer came last week and derives votes. And there was a dramatic association from the figure 31 percent. The question is: between hard times and Buchanan voters. Among Republican voters who say their financial situation is worse than in 1988, seven out of 10 voted for Mr. Buchanan.

> In other states be just about matched the protest threshold. But that offers little consolation to the president. Even if his problem is not ideological, it remains daunting. He still has presented no relevant, plausible program to fight recession and stimulate growth. And until be does he remains vulnerable, even to No One at All. The New York Times/CBS Poll this week asked, Who are you likely to vote for, George Bush or the Democratie nominee? The generic Democrat won, 50-45.

The race for that title on Tuesday produced three winners. In Georgia, Bill Clinton won his first primary, by a surprisingly large margin. That offers a portent for Super Tuesday next week.
Paul Tsongas, having chosen to make a

stand in Maryland, won comfortably there
— and did well also in Colorado, demonstrating that he has both staying power and geographical reach.

And Jerry Brown achieved a do-or-die thetie to recession's victims. In Georgia he 20-plus percent in Colorado, which preserves his federal matching funds. As they battle on, the Democrats will

also be bashing at the president at every opportunity. Mr. Bush may conquer his Republican rival by talking tough, but be has yet to show that he can conquer the tougher foe: hard times.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# **Tiptoeing Around China**

when, soon after the Beijing massacre of June 1989, he turned an accommodating face to Communist China. The Chinese repaid him with their contempt, and the U.S. Congress could only conclude that he was inexcusably soft on a government that had committed outrageous human rights abuses and was otherwise ignoring major American economic and international concerns. Subsequently, President Bush tightened up his policy a bit, but not to the point of earning congressional confidence. The annual debate over renewing China's favorable trade treatment, or most-favored-nation status, has become the principal battleground. In 1990 and 1991, Congress set broad conditions on renewal, but its votes were not hy margins sufficient to override presidential vetoes. The same pattern is

playing out this year.

Mr. Bush went to Beijing as ambassador at a time when the new American connec-tion was thought to be fragile and necessarily focused on strategic containment of the Soviet Union. But nearly 20 years later the connection has become a hardy feature of the international landscape, the Soviet Union has disappeared from the map, and Mr. Bush is still tiptoeing. He stubbornly

continues, moreover, to misstate the difference between himself and Congress. He juxtaposes his policy of prudent across-theboard "engagement" to a dangerous con-gressional tendency to "isolate" Beijing and subject it to a sure-to-fail blunderbuss most-favored-nation "ultimatum."

In fact, Congress is simply trying to alter the terms of engagement - in particular, in the bill that Mr. Bush vetoed this week, to spring political prisoners and block export of missiles to Syria and Iran. These are minimal inconveniences for the immense benefits, including access to modern technology and a favorable \$15 billion trade balance, that China draws from Washington.

The real news here is not American pressure on Beijing. It is that at this late date China, cooperative though it sometimes is, is still trying to get away with reprehensihle deeds in human rights, trade and forcign affairs. No donbt, as Mr. Bush complains, Congress in conditioning mostfavored-nation status is putting a large burden on a single instrument. But it is hard to shake the suspicion that his own signals of appeasement have contributed to the Chinese conduct that Congress is now trying to help him change,

THE WASHINGTON POST.

# Play Ball With Nintendo

"Nintendo" translates roughly as "we do the best we can, and await the results." Japan's Nintendo Company now hopes to apply that philosophy by investing \$60 mil-driver's license. The current owner, who lives lion in the struggling Seattle Mariners, thus in Indianapolis, is losing money and wants to helping to keep major league baseball in sell. Failing the Seattle group's offer, there is aftle. It will be a mistake if league owners do not deal with the offer at their quarterly meetings this week. Foot-dragging could imperil a golden opportunity.

The rule against non-North American

owners sensibly favors ownership with strong home-town loyalty. But applied to the Mariners, the rule is perverse. The bidders are thoroughly local. Nintendo is Japanese, but its U.S. subsidiary is based in Scattle, where the president has lived for 15 years; his in-laws own the parent compa-

ny and would put up the money.
While Nintendo's stake would be 60 percent, proposed arrangements require a vote of at least 80 percent on major matters like the hudget or moving the franchise. Thus, American partners — executives of Boeing, Microsoft and other local business kingpins could still exert control.

Moreover, the Mariners do not have a

local owner now and never have; the head of Nintendo of America, Minoru Arakawa, would be the first to hold a Washington State a bid to move the team to Florida

For many people, the thought of a foreign foothold in the national pastime is unset-tling. In the latest New York Times/CBS Poll, 57 percent of Americans said it bothcred them. Likewise in Tokyo, Japan's baseball commissioner says fans would fight foreign ownership of their teams. But the fans in Seattle — and their opinion is really what matters here — want baseball and do not seem fazed by the Nintendo issue.

Seattle could be a model of enlightenment for both countries. No U.S. mainland city has closer ties to Japan, but all of America is closer to the Japanese than in the past. In baseball, as in trade and investment, open borders henefit everyone. If the major leagues fancy their annual ehampionship a World Series, it is time to share the action.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Other Comment

Five primaries into the 1992 presidential race, the Democrats have no clear idea who their nominee will be. This is not the way it was supposed to be. Fearful of another long, drawn-out, debilitating contest, the Democrais "front-loaded" their delegate selection process this year. They boped this would produce an early decision.

Yet all Tuesday's primaries may have done was help eliminate Senator Tom Harkin of lowa and Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska from contention. Except for his surprisingly strong showing in Colorado, Ed-mund Brown Jr., the politically eccentric former governor of California, would not be worth taking seriously, either. He cannot win, but he can possibly deny a preconven-tion win to either Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas or Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts.

Maryland's outcome proves at least two things about the Democratic front-runners. Paul Tsongas can win big victories

'Front-Loaded' but Still Fuzzy outside his bome territory. He is the only candidate who can say that so far. And Bill Clinton, despite his conservatism, has strong appeal to black Democrats everywhere. That almost certainly means he will do well again next week in the Southern states voting on "Super Tuesday."

- The Baltimore Evening Sun.

### De Klerk's Referendum

President Frederik de Klerk has put himself in an unenviable position: As his white constituency shows signs of increasing reluctance to make fundamental concessions to the black majority, he has staked his political career on a March 17 referendum on reform. If Mr. de Klerk receives a vote of confidence, his gamble will have paid off, and hard-liners, both black and white, will be weakened. Whatever the outcome, the forces working for a peaceful transition to democracy deserve all possible support.

- Neue Zürcher Zeitung (Zurich).

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# **OPINION**



# Time to Help Yeltsin and Let the IMF Help Russia

WASHINGTON — While their presidents buddled at Camp David with spotlights ablaze, the money men of the American and Russian governments held a less publicized summit meeting here last month that history may record as an important moment of change in the post-Cold War era.

The meeting, hosted by Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady, saw Yegor

There is new hope in Washington that Russia may not be a hopeless есопотіс сазе.

Gaidar, Boris Yeltsin's ahrasive young economic czar, dispel some of official Washington's deep doubts about Mr. Gaidar's improvised shock-therapy policies. The result has been an easing in recent days of American reluctance to help the young Russian government repair the economic shambles created by the collapse of communism.

Struck by the irony of the repeated demands of the American free marketeers at the meeting for a hlueprint to resolve Russia's staggering eco-nomic woes, Mr. Gaidar fired back: "We have had many plans and no reform. Now we will have reform without plans." American support could belp make it work, while opposition would cause it to fail.

The sharp-edged response won Mr. Gaidar not only sympathy but points for boldness, suggests one U.S. official who was present. Mr. Gaidar, who is 35, for the first time gave some of his listeners a sense that he was consciously using the crisis he created on Jan. 1, when be freed prices, to launch the Russian population on a forced march toward capitalism.

Mr. Gaidar "is exploiting the explosion of prices and the emergency atmosphere he created to get control of the money supply problems that helped doom previous reform efforts." said one previously skeptical U.S. offi-cial. "The odds are high that he won't bring it off, but he understands what we think needs to be done."

Even those now somewhat more sympathetic to Mr. Gaidar do not minimize the enormous problems Russia still faces. Local authorities that must implement reforms remain largely under the control of former Communists who openly resist priva-tization and the dismantling of the old command economy. The new hones in some corners of

official Washington that Russia may

PARIS - Slowly, too slowly, the

great mutation occurs. The principle of absolute national sovereignty is retag overturned. It has governed international life since early in the

19th century, when the church's

claim to an authority superior to that of the crown foundered in the col-lapse of the Holy Roman Empire and the rise of the social matter.

The civil war in Yugoslavia has

rendered this service to us. Coming

just after the international mobiliza-

Today's intervention

marks a step forward

assumption of collective

responsibility for peace

tion last year to rescue Kuwait from

Iraq's aggression, the wanton and fu-tile Serbian-Croatian war has forced

the European governments to con-front the question of whether aggres-sion and ethnic war can any longer be tolerated on a continent which bas

gone through what Europe experi-enced between 1914 and 1989.

They have not delivered an answer. At this moment it looks very much as

if there may shortly be a second Yu-

goslavian war. The effort to instigate

one has already begun in the charm-

ing and tragic eity of Sarajevn, in

Bosnia-Herzegovina. At this writing.

emotions there are feverish, and the

political situation very fragile in the

aftermath of Sunday's referendum

favoring national independence. The

majority of voters, mainly Muslims

and Croatians, favored indepen-

dence; the Serb minority is opposed.

problem even though the United Na-

tions currently has taken over the

peacemaker's role, with Cyrus Vance's

I describe Yugoslavia as a European

in the democracies'

and human rights.

By Jim Hoagland

not be a hopeless economic case beyoud the reach of outside help parallel a sharper awareness of the identity crisis that the Russian people face. American support or rejection of the reform effort is now understood to be a vital element in resolving that identity crisis, for better or for worse.

Mr. Brady emerged from the Feb.

I meeting with Mr. Gaidar still strongly opposed to the Russian's request that the United States lead the way in establishing an international \$5 billion currency stabilization fund and betp provide another \$5 billion for balance of payments support dur-ing this crucial year of transition. But Mr. Brady did flash the green light for full Russian membership in the International Montary Fund by late April and initial IMF loans for

Mr. Yeltsin by June.

And shipments have finally begun
of the \$165 million in U.S. agricultural
supplies promised by President George Bush months ago. The administration has let contracts for \$100 million of that amount since Feb. 1.
Anders Aslund, the Swedish economist who is a consultant to Mr. Gaidar's government, was unable last week to shake Treasury's strong resis-tance to an effort to stabilize the ruble;

Mr. Gaidar wants it to be undertaken by the Group of 24 industrial coun-tries that have helped Eastern Europe. But Mr. Ashmd said that he found officials at the CIA, the White House, the State Department and the Pentagon more open to the need for Ameri-

gon more open to the need for American leadership on financial help than they seemed in the past.

Asked why Mr. Yeltsin was pushing for balance of payments support, which has become a red flag for Mr. Brady, Mr. Asland responded candidly that the second \$5 hillion is intended as a political firehreak against public rage in Russia over the price increases and the wage freezes that are likely to come this summer.

The question is how much heat

can the population take? The combination of a ruble stabilization fund, which would be used only as an insurance policy, and the halance of payments support would keep inflation for the year down to 500 percent. Without that help, inflation is likely to be 1,500 percent."

That could he the difference, Mr. Asland argued in his meetings here, between a democratic Russia and one that turns back to dictator-

ship and foreign adventurism.

That should be a sobering thought, both for foot-dragging conservative Republicans and for the liberal Democrats in Congress who are threaten-ing to block a \$12 hillion increase (spread over five years) in U.S. fund-ing for the IMF. The Democrats want to show that they are as tough on foreign aid as the Republicans are. That is a skunk contest that both

parties should avoid. With the United States not ready to launch a Marshall Plan for Russia, the staff now seems to be responding with energy and imagination to this heady

not partisan buck-passing and calculation in Washington. The few sparks of economie hope showing up in Russia need to be fanned into life, not snuffed out by shortsightedness.

# From Baltic Shores to a Better World

By Uffe Ellemann-Jeusen

C OPENHAGEN - So lar, philosophers have concentrated on interpreting the world. The

Marx was wrong in many things. But he was right about the need to change the world — for the better. Central and Eastern Europe have seen revolutionary change in the past three years. But much remains to be done, and each member of the European family must do its part.

There are already several European institutions beloing us build a new Europe. Do we need more? It depends. In Northern Europe, in the Baltic Sca area, circumstances are ripe for a new forum.

In October, at a Danish-German Baltic Sea states to a conference in Copenhagen to explore ways for old

Friday, will be attended by the for-

recent missions there and the decision

by the Security Council to send a

peacekeeping force — a decision which may have come too late. I do so because the European continent's in-

ternal problems no longer are subject

to have settlement.

Balkan and East European internal conflict for a half-century, is finished. The United States no longer has the

will to intervene in European affairs

as in the past. The current U.S. presi-

dential campaign makes it plain

where American preoccupations lie. They scarcely reach to Yugoslavia. Yugoslavia is a matter of specialist

concern in the United States today;

the Serb and Croat ethnic communi-

ties in the old industrial cities have

dwindled in numbers and influence.

like it which may come in the future
— will be dealt with by the other

European powers or by no one st all. The best that should be expected

from the United States is support for

European initiatives.

Ethnic and national conflict in the

ex-Soviet Union will, for sound reasons, attract much greater American attention. But there is little or nothing

the United States can do about a war

between Armenians and Azerbaijanis

Things can be done about wars

Even now, what was done to halt or

among the Yugoslav successor

states. They are vulnerable, and in

block enlargement of the Serbian-Cro-

atian war was unprecedented. It had

nothing in common with the Iraq-

Kuwait intervention, which con-formed to the United Nations action

in Korea in 1950. International aggression had taken place: the United Na-

tions was mobilized under American

leadership; the Security Council au-

thorized an American-commanded

military force to punish aggression and restore the victim state's integrity.

over Nagomo-Karabakh.

the center of Europe.

The Yugoslav affair - and those

By William Pfaff

eign ministers of Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Russia and Sweden, as well as a represen-tative of the EC Commission.

In earlier times, the Baltic Sea was not a barrier, but a link. For 50 years, this link was broken. To repair the link, we propose the establishment of a Council of the

Baltic Sea States, to meet annually at foreign minister level. Several forms of Baltic coopera tion already exist, such as in the environmental and cultural areas.

But this new framework should give political impetus to our joint endeav-



The League of Nations' economic

sanctions against Italy in 1933, in relahation for Italy's invasion of Ethiopia, were similar measures of

international reprisal.
Uninvited international interven-

tion into the internal affairs of a state

is another matter entirely. Until now it has been held an unacceptable at-

tack upon the principle of unlimited

The Yugoslav crisis was produced

by the secession from Yugoslavia of two component states, Slovenia and

Croatia, but international interven-tion and the dispatch of EC observers preceded European Community rec-

ognition of the two states' independence—an independence which Serbia continues to contest, in exactly

the name of Yugoslav sovereignty.

These EC and UN actions have

been in marked contrast to the conduct of the European powers during the last Balkan wars, in 1912-1913,

when Serbian military expansion, at

the expense of Ottoman Turkey and

Bulgaria, was tolerated by the interna-

tional community, thus contributing to the tensions which exploded into a world war when the Austrian Arch-

duke Francis Ferdinand was assassi-

nated by a Serbian terrorist in 1914.

Today's international intervention

tentative as it has been, marks a step

forward in the democracies' assump-

tion of collective responsibility for

peace and burnan rights within at least the areas they can reasonably

expect to influence, and which are of

the greatest concern to them.
The Helsinki Final Act of 1975.

with its seemingly innocuous guaran-tees of human rights, and the intrusive "process" which followed to support

those guarantees, proved an extremely important initiative in this respect.

and had a powerful liberalizing influ-

Now the European Community and the United Nations are "inter-

fering" in Yugoslavia's national dis-

ence inside the Communist bloc.

state sovereignty.

High priority will be given to supporting new democratic institu-tions in the formerly Communist countries. They have made great strides, but they need active sup-port from the older democracies.

ation. The transition to market economy is difficult and often painful. The countries at the western end of the Baltic Sea have a responsibility to help their new boends on the eastern shore. Support for democratic institutions and for the transition to market economy are mutually reinforcing. Without democracy the economy suffers. Without a sound

#### IMF is being pushed forward to manage Western involvement in rebuilding the former Soviet Union. The IMF

change in roles for an institution founded to manage exchange rates. They and Mr. Yeltsin need help,

The Washington Post.

The writer is foreign minister of Denmark.

point, bowever, is to change it."

meeting in Rostock, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher and 1 agreed to promote such a forum. We invited the foreign ministers of the

adversaries to work together.
The conference, Thursday and

Another priority is economic and technological assistance and cooper-

economy, democracy is endangered. The Council of the Baltic States will also deal with such questions as humanitarian assistance, environment and energy, culture, education, transport and communication.
The Baltic Sea countries share a

vision of their area as a zone of economic growth and political sta-bility. They are determined to make this vision come true. International Herald Tribune.

the League and the UN. Both had

The "world community" does not

exist. A democratic community does exist. So does a North Atlantic com-

munity. So does the European Com-munity. All are based on common

value commitments. It is from them

International Herald Tribune.

that constructive reform must come.

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their limited successes, but both rest-

ed on Hawed assumptions and pos-sessed the fundamental handicap of

universal membership.

ment, the Russian Supreme Soviet launched its own examination of the Properly Interfering, in Yugoslavia and Elsewhere Crimean question. The potential for a Yugoslav-style crisis is on the rise. To prevent a pattern of escalating hostility, U.S. integration. What they have thus far done has been improvisation, but it is

> that a cavalier attitude toward Russia would win him no favor in America. More fundamentally, without displaying benign neglect toward the other newly a lependent states, the Bush administration should do more

Such a policy is the best protection against the slide of a nuclear-armed Russia into a Weimar model with its disastrous consequences.

The writer, a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace contributed this comment to The New York Times.

### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

#### 1892: In English Boxes PARIS - Anyone familiar with the

comfortable and luxurious railways in the United States must often have wondered at the tenacity with which the English cling to their old-fashioned, inconvenient carriages. It is impossible to keep the carriages warm, or to obtain any assistance no matter what emergency may arise. Scarcely a week passes when we do not hear of some outrage in the wretched boxes in which the English have sentenced themselves to travel.

#### 1917: Latin Solidarity NEW YORK - Germans are active-

ly aiding the members of the Liberal Party in Havana who support the revolution. Alfredo Zayas, the revolutionary candidate for the Presidency, is reported to be hiding in the German Legation. They are also attempting to dominate San Salvador. where they have built the most powerful wireless station in Central

America. But the press of the South-American Republics stresses the ab-surdity of Germany's schemes and warns the Latin-American countries to tighten their bonds and work to-gether to maintain their neutrality.

### 1942: Nazis on Defensive KUYBYSHEV, Russia — [From our New York edinon:] Tired German

armies have begun a general retreat across the whole central and northern fronts, and the Nazis are hucriedly throwing up a fourth defense line, stretching from Slovakia to the Baltic, an official said tonight [March 4]. He said Red Army forces were advancing on all fronts, and were "compresaing the ring ever tighter around 100,000 Germans trapped at Siaraya Russa." Already the Germans have withdrawn their prized panzer units behind the third line on the northcentral from, 240 miles west of Moscow. The fourth line would put the German defenses in Poland and the Baltic states of Estonia and Latvia.

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profound and lasting consequences.

If Russians get the impression that
outsiders want the further dismemberment of their federation so as to destroy its potential for recovery, even-Russian democrats would react with outrage. Similarly, if the West overneacts to the specter of Russian neoimperialism every time Russia shows. lics' (especially Ukraine's) reckless actions, then only xenophobic changings, whom Bons Yeltsin calls "the red and the brown," would benefit.

Zbigniew Brzezinski, Henry Kis-

Corner

By Dimitri K. Simes

WASHINGTON — The growing conflict with Ukraine is threat-

While Russia made the crucial con-

ribution to the Soviet empire's col.

lapse, its own empire now lies in ruins,

and Russia does not quite know how to extricate itself from the rubble. The

way the outside world treats Russia during this hour of trial may have

ening the Russian search for a new

postimperial identity.

singer and others who warn against Russia's prickly nationalism seem to absolve the other republics of their share of the responsibility in any dispute with Moscow.

Yet the real situation is more com-

plex. It is the Ukrainian president, Leomd Kravchuk, who - in order to compensate for his past as an antinationalist, Communist functionary
—has violated his pledges not to take
over the former Soviet armed forces on Ukrainian territory without first consulting other sovereign states. As early as December, at a meeting

of commonwealth leaders in Minsk, Mr. Kravchuk agreed that the navy should remain under joint commonwealth command. But he reneged on these promises and demanded that all Soviet troops on Ukrainian territory, including the Black Sea fleet, pledge allegiance to his government.
Should Mr. Yeltsin and other Rus-:

sian politicians be criticized for feel-ing that Mr. Kravchuk was pushing his luck too far?

Russia has accepted Ukrainian sovereignty over the Crimea despite the fact that the peninsula has a Russian majority and has belonged to Ukraine only since 1954, when Nikita Khrushchev gave it to Kiev. Mr. Kravchuk's actions persuaded

Mr. Yeltsin to declare that the Black Sea fleet be placed under his personal protection, forcing the Ukrainian president to retreat temporarily. The dispute is far from being resolved. In a recent conversation in Moscow, Andrei Kozvrev, Mr. Yeltsin's foreign minister, stated that Russian

foreign policy will categorically re-ject the Soviet imperial baggage. But even the reasonable and pro-West-ern Mr. Kozyrev, not quite unfairly, called the transfer of the Crimea to Ukraine "a political decision of the old Polithuro." Mr. Yeltsin himself is on record as

trying to cool down anti-Ukrainian passions and has warned against looking at the controversy through the obsolete prism of "old Unionist traditions." Still, neither Mr. Yeltsin's patience toward Ukraine nor his 🌞 pressures is unlimited. Mr. Kravchuk's latest promises to

resettle thousands of Germans and Tartars in the Crimea created an uproar among the peninsula's Russian-speaking majority. They are calling for a referendum to split from Ukraine and to ask Mr. Yeltsin for belp. At the end of February the Crimean Supreme Soviet voted to give the

peninsula a new official name, the Republic of Crimea, with its own constitution and state anthem. Any references to the Crimea being "au-tonomous" within Ukraine were dropped from the draft constitution. Despite Mr. Yeltsin's discourage-

diplomacy ought to offer to mediate a start on something new.
We now are in a situation there improvisation and experiment are eschial, in contrast to the big programmatic reforms of 1918 and 1945 between Moscow and Kiev. It is also important to let Mr. Kravchuk know

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to demonstrate to the Russian people that America is on their side.

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In Russia's Expect Nuc.

Washington — Maybe Americans cannot define "political correctness" precisely, but we certainly aring of the advisor Institute Expect Monkey Business After 'Loss of Structure in Society' at a recent gathering of the advisory council to the National Institute of Mental Health, when the director-designate, Dr. Frederick Goodwin, mused casually on studies of aggressiveness in male monkeys. He observed that they "knock each other off" at a fierce rate, and compensate, for evolutionary rea-

sons, by being oversexed.

Then he added: "Maybe it isn't just the careless use of the word when people call certain areas of certain cities jungles, that we may have gone back to what might be more natural, without all

### The Ape in Us All

T T IS 110 years since Darwin's death. and the relationship of buman beings and the apes has become not only widely known but thoroughly accepted in science. Darwin saw the uncanny resemblance in anatomy, and molecular biologists today have confirmed it in DNA. The burnin genetic code is more than 98 percent identical to the chimpanzee code. Even to rhesus monkeys, we are as much as 94 percent genetically identical.

In the 1960s, Harry Harlow, experi-menting on caged rhesus monkeys at the University of Wisconsin, showed that babies deprived of a mother grew up to be severely warped in personality, unable to fit into monkey society — and prone to random acts of violence.

In the wild, rhesus monkeys live in large troops ranging from a few dozen animals to several hundred. Young males leave at puberty and live in "gangs" of other adolescent males, eventually seeking out a new troop and trymg to join it. These "transitional" adolescents are often so physically violent that as many as half are killed before reaching adulthood.

In many gangs, there are always a few young males who never make it, according to studies by researchers including nent? Do we really want to see vast one-Mr. Harlow's student and protege at crop tracts in some parts of the world

Wisconsin, Stephen Suomi.

These animals, 3 to 5 percent of the adolescent gang, will always lead troubled lives. Their fighting is not done to gain social standing but for what seems to be no reason at all. Unpredictably the monkey will explode in rage and rip into another animal. Such monkeys are perpetual outcasts — repeat offenders for whom there is no place in rhesus society.

Boyce Rensberger, writing in The Washington Post.

#### By Edwin M. Yoder Jr.

the social controls that we have imposed upon ourselves as a civilization over thousands of years in our own evolution ... although we look at individual factors and ... biological differences

Those impromptu remarks left a bit to be desired syntactically, although the meaning seems fairly clear. Dr. Goodwin was saying — as William Golding in effect said in his novel "Lord of the Flies" — that when you strip away the civilized veneer ("the loss of structure in society"), humans can behave very much like monkeys.

A shocking idea? No. A new idea?

Not at all. A speculation? Of course,

scientist is entitled to make without having his ears pinned back. When word of Dr. Goodwin's re-marks began to circulate, the reaction on Capitol Hill was ferocious. Dr. Goodwin's superior, Health and Hu-

bot a speculation which a distinguished

man Services Secretary Louis Sullivan, was soon hearing from, among others, that great congressional Pooh-Bah of science, Representative John Dingell, and from Senator Edward Kennedy. The senator's credentials in ethology (the study of animal behavior) or for that matter in anthropology or any other ology are undisclosed. Yet Mr. Ken-

nedy did not shrink from calling Dr. Goodwin's "netions" (sie! "grossly of-fensive ... extremist and appalling." The entire Congressional Black Cau-cus demanded "elarification," which is a polite way of saving: You'd better not have said what you are rumored to bave said, never mind what you netually said. Dr. Sullivan himself chimed in. scolding Dr. Goodwin for an "unfortunate lapse" and for insensitivity on "minority issues." It was political cor-

rectness in spate. But what was the offense? If you read what Dr. Goodwin actually said, the thrust was exactly the reverse of those deterministie (let alone racist) views that ordinarily bring free thinkers under fire from the thought police.
What does it mean to blame aberrant

ety is, in short, to blame. And what is the point of saying so, except to reiterate what innumerable social workers, sociologists, criminologists and urban re-formers of every kidney say all the time?

You may doubt, as I do, that tough conditions are more to blame than human nature for outhreaks of evil and cruelty, but that is beside the point. Dr. Goodwin was talking biological and ethological boilerplate, and it is curious that it should cause offense. Not many years ago, Konrad Lo-renz's "On Aggression," a literate and learned popularization of ethological

theory, topped the best-seller lists for months. Its primary attraction to readers was undoubtedly Dr. Lorenz's similar extrapolation from "animal" to "human" patterns of aggression.

in sbort, upon close examination, the words that stung so many sensitive ears on Capitol Hill leave me suspecting that few really read them. Messrs. Dingell and Kennedy and other would-be tounderers of unclean thought charged

behavior on "the loss of structure in at the mere echo of a few hot-button society" except that such behavior is words ("inner city." "jungle," "hyper-environmentally determined." That soci-sexuality") strung together in dangerous proximity. Dr. Goodwin resigned last week as

head of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration. expressing his dismay at "the way in which complex and important scientific issues can become so distorted .... in an election year." Unfortunately, it is not just in election years. In any year, Dr. Goodwin's ordeal is a chilling lesson for those whose official positions might involve them in controversial discussion. It isn't Stalinism, but it's

about as close as we come to it. Perhaps Dr. Goodwin's real crime was to flirt with Darwinism, which necessarily involves the disconcerting idea that we, too, are animals, prone under acute stress to acis that we dismiss as "bestial" because they do not lit our human self-conceit. Thus do we go on insulting our furry cousins to spare ourselves self-recognition. Meanwhile, on the merits, it is Dr. Goodwin's assailants who owe the apology, not be.

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#### Grow Your Own Food

Regarding the report "Serving the En-

vironment Through Trade Policy" (Business/ Finance, Feb. 22): Peter Passell writes, "European farmers use 10 times as much fertilizer and pesticides to grow a bushel of wheat as their Argentine and Australian counterparts. But thanks to subsidies and trade barriers, Europe still grows its own grain." Long may it do so! The answer is for Europe to switch to more organie

sericulture, not to import more grain. Does any country want to be dependent on another for basic foodstuffs let alone dependent on another conticrop tracts in some parts of the world and nothing but industry in the rest? Unrestricted free trade in agricultural

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products can only lead to ever-increasing specialization and energy-consuming transportation, neither of which makes environmental sense. What we need is just the opposite - more local produce, locally grown, locally sold.

F. OLIVER. Penzance, England.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Guilty but Insane

Regarding "A Perversion of Justice: Ghastliness Is No Defense" (Opinion, Feb. 11) by Charles Krauthammer: Mr. Krauthammer's good main point

that abuses of the insanity plea must be eliminated -is marred as soon as be suggests that Jeffrey Dahmer is not mad. That anyone who does what he did is insane is beyond doubt; that that person must be acquitted of first-degree murder is technically just; but that acquittal means a short sentence - Mr. Kraut-hammer's rightful fear - is an easily corrected flaw. People judged guilty though insane should serve the same sentence given to the sane, but in a prison mental hospital; a more equitable solution than abolishing the insanity defense. The problem with the too-liberal justice system that Mr. Krauthammer describes is the illogical equating of ex-

planation and excuse; that we discover why someone committed a crime does

not also excuse him. CHRISTOPHER HOUSTON.

# Clear and Present Dangers

Regarding the editorial "Israel: Stuck in The Past" (Feb. 21): The New York Times editorial claims

to make every allowance for Israel's legitimate security worries. It does not. It ignores the increasing threat of Islamic fundamentalism, the supply of North Korean missiles to Syria, Saddam Hussein's refusal to allow the United

Nations to control his vast military buildup and the fact that "homegrown" Palestinian leaders are self-confessed pawns of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Far from being stuck in the past, Israel is concerned with present dangers.

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#### Zionism and Judaism

A. M. Rosenthal would do us all a big favor if be would stop using jour-nalism as a crutch for Israel and stop equating Zionism with Judaism. Zion-

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ism is a political system which, like all such systems, is not above criticism. Judaism is an ancient and honorable faith which has, through its adherents, brought incalculable benefits to the United States and the world.

JAMES V. CROTTY. Parede, Portugal.

### Unloading on Safire

Regarding the editorial "Advice for Israel's Patron" (Jan. 10) and the opinion column "Unloading on the Israelis Will Not Help Win Peace" (Jan. 10) by Wil-

liam Safire: Again, The Washington Post shows commendable fair-mindedness; again, William Safire shows astigmatic bias. Not a word from Mr. Safire on the

continued imposition of new Jewish set-tlements in the West Bank; only condemnation of Palestinian retaliation. It won't do. Mr. Safire. Unloading on the Palestinians alone will not help win peace. The Israeli government, especially with delicate peace talks under way, must bear the lion's share of responsibility for the exacerbation of tensions. It could not be doing more to sabotage the talks.

DUANE STANFIELD. Forres, Scotland.

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# The King (a Role Model?) Deserves a Special Stamp

By Jonathan Yardley

WASHINGTON — Here's a tip in the way people look at and enjoy to wheedle the courts into lightening up on Mike Tyson. They say, astonishingly, that Mr. Tyson is a "role model" for youngsters and that as a result he really should not go to jail for rape. Instead, they say, he should perform "community service" - an mplicit admission of his guilt and thus show the world what a good

guy he really is. But why bother fooling around with the courts? Why not go directly to the U.S. Postal Service?

If the U.S. Postal Service can convey the unutterable honor of a com-

#### MEANWHILE

memorative stamp in honor of Elvis Presley, isn't Mike Tyson the next logical candidate?

Perhaps you read about Elvis and the Postal Service in the papers recently. At a press conference in the Las Vegas Hilton, the postmaster gen-eral of the United States announced that the design competition for the Elvis commemoranve has been narrowed to two depictions of the king of rock and roll. One shows him as a svelte youngster, the other as a svelte middle-agester. The winner will be chosen by Mr. and Mrs. Average American in a special election to be held next month in most of the coun-

try's 40,000 post offices. It's enough to make an American proud, isn't it?

Since 1987, the 10th anniversary of Elvis Presiey's death and the moment of his eligibility for the Postal Ser-vice's Valhalla, untold numbers of his admirers bave written untold numbers of letters demanding a commem-

orative stamp in his honor.
At last builted and cowed into submission, the Postal Service decided that since it couldn't beat 'em, it would join 'em, "I get asked often, 'Why Elvis?" Anthony Frank said at his Las Vegas shindig, and I think the outpouring of interest is a pretty good answer to that, The American people really have deep feeling for him, and be is part of our pop culture. He made a real difference

for those who have been trying pop music ... He broke new ground, the courts into lightening this gentleman. Is he running for something?

Maybe Elvis really was a groundbreaker when it came to rock and roll. Certainly he broke new ground in the consumption of controlled substances. Not merely was Elvis Presley one of the all-time pop-music champs, he was also a Hall of Fame junkie.

Talk about "role models"! For the age of dope, this guy was the messiah.
You can read all about it in "Elvis," Albert Goldman's biography of same.

The picture of Elvis at table is appe-

tizing: "Piling the sauerkraut and peas atop the potatoes, he stirs these soft foods into a thick viscous paste. Then spooning up this mush with one hand, with the other he grasps the solid foods, cating always with his bare fingers." So too is the picture of Elvis at his toilet: His wife was so disgusted by Elvis's lack of personal eleanliness that when she renovated their last house ... she had his shower stall rigged with three spray nozzles: one for the head, one for the torso and one for the lower extremines." But Elvis objected. Taking showers was "dangerous."

By the early 1960s, Mr. Goldman reports, Elvis and his retinue of goodol'-boy buffonns "were into Dexamil. Quaalude, Percodan, Demerol, Seconal, Tuinal, Valium, Nembutal and Placidyl." No, Elvis doesn't seem to have walked on the illegal side of the drug line; "be bad both the motive and the means to explore all the resources of the legal drug world." Thanks to these ministrations he was, in the later years of his life, stoned much if not most of the time.

If America is going to have an Elvis stamp, let us make it in honor of the real Elvis. Here is my design. In the middle stands Elvis bimself, all decked out in sequins and satins and buttons and bows. His eyes are glazed, his mouth sags and his flesh has the texture of lard. To his side is a huge pile of pills. Above him are the words; "Elvis Presley, 1935-1977: American Role Model." Below are these: "Just Say Yes."

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# **Palestinians Detail** Plan for Self-Rule, And Israelis Say No

By Barbara Crossette New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The Palestinian delegation to the Middle East peace talks has presented Israel with a detailed plan for selfgovernment in the occupied territo-

The proposal calls for elections within the year and a ocar-total withdrawal of Israeli forces before a local government is installed.

The plan is a more comprehensive version of an outline given to the Israelis during talks in January. according to Hanan Ashrawi, the spokeswoman for the Palestinians.

The initial response from Israeli oegotiators was oegative, because the proposal amounts to a framework for an independent Palestin-

"The notion of an independent Palestinian state," an Israeli negotiator, Elyakim Rubinstein, said af-ter a two-hour meeting with the Palestinian side at the State De--partment, "with all it connotes in terms of our security and national interests, is unacceptable to us."

fsrael submitted a plan of its own last week. Although the Israeli plan offered the Palestinians a degree of -control over aspects of their daily lives, like education and taxation, it did not include autonomous elecuions or the possibility of creating an overall self-governing authority. Dr. Haidar Abdel-Shafi, the

leader of the Palestinian team, said after the talks, "The transition process must lead to a Palestinian

Both sides agree that a major purpose of the Middle East peace effort, which began Oct. 29 in Madrid, is to find a formula for Palestinian self-rule. But Israeli and Palto begin detailed, face-to-face discussion oo the issue until this week's rouod of talks. Earlier rounds in December and January

were devoted largely to procedure. The Palestinian plan presented to the Israelis on Tuesday includes detailed plans for setting up an election process, complete with international observers, leading to an interim self-government with legislative functions and power over "land, natural resources, water, subsoil, territorial sea, exclusive economic zone and air space."

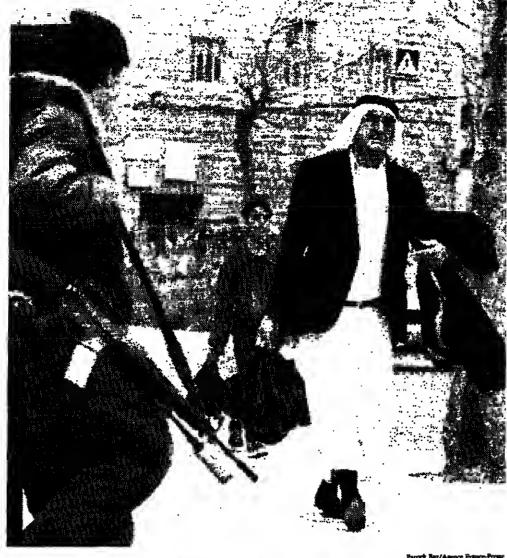
The plan also provides for an independent judiciary and police force. It demands the cessation of all Israeli settlement activity in the territories, the return of seized property and the release of poliocal prisoners and detainees. It seeks the lifting of all restrictions on educaconal, social, political and economic activity among Palestinians.

■ PLO Backers Lose Vote

Backers of the Palestine Liberaoon Organization were handed a stunning defeat by Muslim fundamentalists on Wednesday in the first Chamber of Commerce elecdons in the Israeli-occupied West Bank town of Ramallah in 25 years. Reuters reported.

Although Ramallah has long

been considered a PLO stronghold,



A Palestinian man passing an Israeli border policeman in East Jerusalem on the first day of Ramadan, the Muslim boly mouth. He had bought food to break the daily fast from sunrise to sunset.

talist group, won 10 of the 11 scats

#### candidates backed by the Hamas PLO nationalists said the results Islamic list discounted the political might have reflected frustration at implications, saying the elections movement, an Islamic fundamenthe lack of progress in the peace reflected the interests of mer-

# **Arab World Tunes In to Westernized TV Channel**

Police in Nairobi Beat Hunger Strike Supporters

fled to their hotels.

citizens and the nation."

President Daniel arap Moi, who

reluctantly permitted the multipar-

ty system, said on Wednesday that

the hunger strikers had been misled by the opposition. He said the women "threatened the security of

The three days of police action in

Nairohi followed a pattern of vio-

lence against members of the Fo-

rum for the Restoration of Democ-

By Youssef M. Ibrahim New York Times Service

RIYADH — At nine every night, from Dhahran on the Gulf to Riyadh in the middle of the Saudi desert, thousands of television viewers hithely ignore the nightly news program on Saudi television to tune into a television channel that is harred from the government-controlled airwaves.

Elsewhere in the Arab world more and more people are doing likewise, spurning the boring, censored, government-produced programs that in most Arah countries have been ithe only television fare since the medium was 'introduced to the region in the 1950s.

The object of their attention is the Middle East Broadcasting Center, known to its viewers as MBC. By all accounts, the satellite -channel, owned hy Saudi investors and beaming its fast-paced programs to all Arah countries from its studios in London, is gaining hig audiences and wide approval.
With its thoroughly Westernized look and

New York Times Service

wave of violence in the Kenyan

capital, the police on Wednesday

fired tear gas and clubbed demon-

strators who were protesting the

forceful eviction from a city park of

The unrest came as the U.S. gov-

ernment warned that the new era of

multiparty poliocs in Kenya was

being threatened by official vio-

The State Department said in a statement issued in Washington on

Tuesday that it was "deeply con-cerned" by the violence and the

forcible removal of the hunger

strikers, who were calling for the

release of political prisoners. Many

-women hunger strikers.

lence and intimidation.

NAIROBI - In a continuing

can oetworks. The prize for MBC and its advertisers is a lucrative market of 300 mil-

lion Arah viewers from Morocco to Oman. MBC offers a full range of entertainment shows, but its biggest attraction is its news programs, which have pushed the limits of Arah press freedom. Among other things, it has become the first Arab television compa-

ny to open a Jerusalem hureau.

The owners of MBC say that its Palestinian correspondents in Israel receive favorable treatment from the Israelis and that viewer interest in their reports is high. "Israel is there and we have to deal with

it," said Walid Ibrahim, ooe of MBC's principal owners, Mr. Ibrahim, who belongs to one of the wealthiest families in Saudi Arahia and whose sister is married to King Fahd, was interviewed in the Riyadh office of ARA International Productions, which produces a vast oumber of programs for Saudi and other ing hig audiences and wide approval.

With its thoroughly Westernized look and intensive news coverage, MBC aspires to become an Arah versioo of the major Amerian tele-

visioo during his days as a husiness adminis-tratioo student at Portland State University

"We go for the middle line," Mr. Ibrahim said. "Our belief is that the Arab citizen has the right to know the situation fully. Being hased in London makes it easy for us to resist any attempt by any state to use us."

MBC employs about 200 people, most of whom are reporters, editors, camera operators and others involved in the news operation. Abdallah Masry, the Londoo-based execuove director of MBC, said in an interview that in addition to Jerusalem the company maintained bureaus in Washington, London and the main Arah countries where its programs are seen or which are big oews centers, including Cairo; Riyadh; Damascus; Algiers; Amman, Jordan; Casablanca, Morocco; Bahrain; Ahu Dhabi, and Kuwait. When it began beaming its signals to Saudi

Arahia in September, MBC was permitted to use a regular Saudi government channel. But that privilege was withdrawn after a mooth.

of the strikers are mothers of the prisoners.

Oginga Odinga, was stoned by supportered its third month of multiparty porters of Mr. Moi at a rural rally politics. Mr. Moi, under pressure

violence was jeopardizing Kenya's who closed their shops early in the multiparty political system, especially since opposition parties sealed off by police, and tourists who closed their shops early in the vented other members of the opposition group from entering their sealed off by police, and tourists party headquarters in various rural ties to challenge his ruling Kenya

The State Department said the tion, and unnerved storekeepers, on Saturday. Armed police pre- from foreign dooors and domestic

locations over the weekend.

The violence came as Kenya en-

Fire Shuts Russian Reactor

The Associated Press

MOSCOW - A nuclear reactor

in southern Russia was shut down

early Wednesday following a fire

caused by a short circuit, Tass re-ported. It said no radiation was

released in the fire at the Balakov

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and government establishment objected to its unveiled anchorwomen, its Egyptian-made romance movies and, above all, its uncensored news reports, But Saudis were not forbidden to watch

MBC. Hundreds of thousands of wealthy Saudis can pick up the station with satellite dishes, and their poorer compatriots who live close to Bahrain or Kuwait can tune in to broadcasts from those countries, where MBC is carried on the government channels.

For now, Morocco is the only other country where MBC is allowed to make conventional broadcasts, But Mr. Ibrahim says the channel expects to be authorized soon hy Jordan, Tunisia and Lehanon.

There is agreement here that the project will continue to thrive in Saudi Arabia be-cause of the tacit support of King Fahd. The king, who favors the slow hut steady modemization of Saudi Arabia's deeply conservaove society, has praised the stadon.

"It's absolutely great," said a senior gov-ernment official, who described MBC as the "best friend of Saudi liberals,

African National Union.

politics in two decades.

Washington is watching closely

how this East African oation deals

with its first taste of muloparty

The U.S. ambassador to Kenya,

Smith Hempstone Jr., has been

outspoken in the last year about the

need for Mr. Moi to open up the

political process. In October, the

United States was instrumental in persuading the World Bank and

other donors to hold up new aid to

Kenya pending political and eco-nomic change.

#### FAT: Maybe Red Wine Was Not the French Answer saturated fat or cholesterol or both. worked on a study of seven coun-

According to exit polls, Mr. Clinton defeated Mr. points below his statewide average among veterans in Tsongas hy nearly 5 to 1 among hlacks in Georgia and Georgia.

Democrats' Crucial Fortnight

Spate of Contests in South and Midwest May Decide Race

PRIMARY: It's Tsongas and Clinton (and Brown)

in both states.

By David S. Broder Washington Post Service
COLUMBIA, South Carolina — The Democratic

Party calendar gods have orepared a two-week test of

fire for the two front-runners, Bill Clinton and Paul E.

Tsongas, a concentrated struggle that will determine

who is the most electable candidate in the South and

After the contests Tuesday in Georgia, Colorado,

Maryland and four other states, Mr. Tsongas, Mr.

Clinton and the other three major Democratic aspi-

rants are hattling for 1.264 delegates during the next

two weeks -almost 60 percent of the 2,145 needed for

Mr. Clinton, the Arkansas governor, has the geo-

graphical advantage in that half of the contests, including delegate-rich battles in Texas, Florida, Ten-

nessee and Missouri, are in the South or bordering it.

Massachusetts, Mr. Tsongas, the former senator, will

be fighting on unfamiliar territory and in places where

Mr. Clinton has the advantage of an earlier organiza-

The major battlegrounds next Tuesday will be Tex-as and Florida. Mr. Clinton has the same kind of

establishment backing in Texas that contributed to his

victory in Georgia on Tuesday. His Texas chairman,

Garry Mauro, predicts that he will win more than half

Florida, by all estimates, may provide more of a test even though Mr. Clinton is again the favorite. A

Clinton strategist noted that Florida has a history of

voting for the winner of the New Hampshire primary, including the 1988 nominee. Michael S. Dukakis of

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["He's out," said a knowledgeable Democrat, The

Associated Press reported late Wednesday. "They've

shut down all their outlying offices. Apparently they've got a \$1 million debt." Mr. Kerrey was expected to make an announcement Thursday.]

Mr. Harkin also returned to Washington to meet with advisers and decide what to do next. His results in

the primaries were especially disappointing: 2 percent in Georgia, the same in Colorado, 4 percent in Utah

and 6 percent in Maryland.

In Georgia, with 99 percent of the precincts reported, the results were Mr. Clinton 57 percent, Mr.

Tsongas 24 percent, Mr. Brown & percent, Mr. Kerrey

In Maryland, with 100 percent of the precincts

reported, the results were Mr. Tsongas 40 percent, Mr. Clinton 34 percent, Mr. Brown 8 percent, Mr. Harkin

In Colorado, with all precincts reporting, the results were Mr. Brown 29 percent, Mr. Clinton 27 percent, Mr. Tsongas 26 percent, Mr. Kerrey 12 percent, and

Mr. Harkin 2 percent, In Utah, Mr. Tsongas got 34 percent, Mr. Brown 28 percent, Mr. Clinton 18 percent, Mr. Kerrey 11 per-

"They said that I was a regional candidate," Mr. Tsongas told supporters in Columbia, South Carolina,

Referring to Mr. Clinton, he said, "They had the

money, they had the endorsements. All we had was the

Mr. Clinton, for his part, took issue with sugges-tions that his victory was merely a regional triumph. "I

oever dreamed 60 percent was a possibility," he said,

They're right: North, South, East and West,"

percent, and Mr. Harkin 2 percent.

percent, and Mr. Kerrey 5 percent.

cent and Mr. Harkin 4 percent.

said, "I would say right oow he's going to reassess his

tional start and more endorsements.

the popular vote and delegates.

schedule and his campaign.

Except for Rhode Island and his home state of

Midwest and, likely, the eventual nominee

Mr. Dukakis also did surprisingly well on "Super Tuesday" four years ago, to the consternation of Southern legislators who had created the Southern-

dominated event in hopes that it would help nominate

a candidate who could carry their region in November

Mr. Dukakis got more delegates out of Super Tuesday

than anyone else by concentrating on urban and

suburban areas where his Yankee roots and austere

But, as Mr. Tsongas's managers are quick to point out. Mr. Dukakis had the advantage of going up against a field that included a powerful black candi-

date in the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson and two border-

state white moderates, Richard A. Gephardt of Mis-

"To what figures to be virtually a one-on-one contest

with Clinton, we can't follow the enclave strategy Dukakis used." a Tsongas campaign adviser said of this year's "Super Tuesday" contests next Tuesday, in

"But we will compete everywhere in hopes of getting

Mr. Clinton counts on a strong showing on Tuesday to carry him into the Midwest battlegrounds of Illinois

and Michigan on March 17. Mr. Clinton has an

organizational edge in Illinois, but recent private poll-

ing has shown both Mr. Tsongas and former Governor Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr. of California gaining strength at Mr. Clinton's expense.

Michigan, suffering economic reversals at least as severe as New Hampshire's, also will test the compet-

ing economic messages of Mr. Tsongas and Mr. Clinton.

by a little better than 2 to 1 in Maryland, and his vote was far stronger among less-well educated, poor voters

diplomas, for example, Mr. Clinton beat Mr. Tsongas

by 81 to 13 percent, while Mr. Tsongas carried those with post-graduate degrees by 41 to 36 percent.

importance on electability, experience and party loyalty. He also did well among voters who want a candi-

date who "cares about people like me."

Mr. Clinton did well among voters who placed high

But, there were danger signs as well. Among voters

who placed a high priority on supporting a candidate "who has shown strength and courage in life" and those seeking a candidate who "has specific ideas,"

Mr. Clinton was running well below his percentage

among all voters. He also did less well among the

relatively small fraction of Democratic voters seeking

In Georgia, Mr. Clinton did far better among voters

Mr. Tsongas's base of support is in many respects

who consider themselves Democrats, 64 percent, than

among independents voting in the state's open prima-

the opposite of Mr. Clinton's: His voters are dispro-portionately upscale, white, well-educated and mem-

bers of the Baby-Boom generation. They tend to be environmentalists, consider the ability of the United

States to compete internationally to be very impor-

tant, and want a president they consider courageous.

him in Maryland, where those who viewed his actions

unfavorably outnumbered those who had favorable

Those who were unfavorable voted overwhelmingly

for Mr. Tsongas in both states, Mr. Clinton ran five

impressions hy 3 to 1, and by 2 to 1 in Georgia.

The controversy over Mr. Clinton's draft status hurt

candidate who "will uphold family values." -

ry, 45 percent, according to exit polls.

Among Georgia Democrats without high-school

which II states are holding primaries or caucuses.

our share of the delegates," the adviser said.

manner did not damage his appeal.

souri and Senator Al Gore of Tennessee.

(Continued from page 1) since then, to 39 percent in 1988, the last year for which figures are

United States since 1909. In 1923, the Boston University School of Americans began to consume 35 Medicine, is testing several hypoth-1980. In 1940, the United States reached 39 percent, the 1988 figure in France. The food supply data indicate that the American diet has exceeded 39 percent of calories from fat continuously since 1950:

in 1988 it was 42 percent.
"This means," Dr. Nestle said, "we have had 40 to 50 years of a food supply at least this high in fat, compared to 3 to 5 years for France. No wonder their heart dis-

ease rates are lower." The UN data show that the increased fat in the French diet is and even wine is down in France.

figure oot reached in France until tween French and American heart

greater consumption of fresher fruits and vegetables in France: more relaxed meals; less snacking between meals; less fat from meat; smaller portions of meat; dairy fat in the form of cheese rather than whole milk; the use of olive oil and goose fat rather than butter or lard for cooking, and regular moderate consumption of alcohol, particular-

The data also show that the use of tries that looked at the relation of hread, cereals, fruits, vegetables heart disease and diet, said it would

The U.S. Department of Agricul-ture has kept the same data for the United States since 1999 In 1972

He will look at several variables:

ly wine, with meals. Dr. Henry Blackburn, Mayo Professor of Public Health at the

also be useful to compare blood cholesterol levels in France and the United States.

"The lag time between the T change in fat intake and the appercent of their calories from fat, a eses to explain the difference beseen in other cultures, including Japan," he said.

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"It's also possible that the period of real deprivation in France, in the 40s, would have had something of a protective effect," he said in reference to the meager food supply

during and immediately after World War II. "The French paradox is a hoax," said Dr. Jean Mayer, head of Tufts University and a ontritionist. "It's

quite possible that 20 to 30 years from now the French may have as much heart disease as we do." coming from meat, dairy products, Professor of Public Health at the eggs and table spreads, all high in University of Minnesota, who fine," Dr. Nestle said. "I like it."

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(Continued from page 1) the university has changed its ac-

counting methods and now includes its anticipated buildingmaintenance costs - \$50 million a year - in its overall budget instead of in a separate account. Costs also have risen for most items, and income has not kept pace.

Mr. Scott said the university has been trying for six years to cootrol administrative costs. But the greatest help will come from Harvard's \$4.7 billion endowment. He said the endowment brought Harvard \$208 million last year. A sense is growing among the lvy

institutions that, after decades of expansion and free-wheeling growth, they may have grown too arge to support themselves. And to complicate matters, the limited assistance that private universitles get from state governments now is

# China Hard-Liners, Opposing Deng, Stifle News of Call to Speed Changes

BEIЛNG — Hard-liners opposed to the latest call by the senior Chinese leader, Deng Xiaoping, to speed up reform have attempted to obstruct dissemination of his speech to party members, Chinese

sources said. The refusal of some sectors of the Communist Party and the government to comply with orders to relay details of Mr. Deng's call last month for faster economic change

was a rare challenge to his authority, analysts said Wednesday. The State Council, China's cahinet, which is under the coord of the hard-line prime minister. Li Peng transmitted the document outlining Mr. Deng's speech only

as far as bureau-director level, the demonstrations in June 1989. El-

Party documents intended to set policy are relayed first to senior ist party chief, Zhao Ziyang, and officials and then make their way tried to reimpose orthodox Marxist down through the vast party hierar-chy, usually reaching all 48 million members within a few weeks. The Chinese People's Political

Consultative Conference, an advisory body to the government, allowed the document to be read only to members of its standing committee, the sources said. The body's obstruction of the

document reflected the views of the conference president, Li Xiannian. long an advocate of slower reform, the sources said. However, the National People's

Congress, the Chinese parliament which is headed by Wan Li, a close associate of Mr. Deng, ordered transmission of the nearly 7,000-word document to all party members, the sources said.

Most units have passed along the document. It is the first major speech in more than two years by Mr. Deng, 87, and focuses on the need to push forward with the market-oriented reforms that Mr. Deng introduced in 1978 in an attempt to end the economic stranglehold of rigid central planning.

Change began to slow in Septem-ber 1988 when Mr. Li introduced policies to curb inflation and cool the overheating economy.

derly party hard-liners stepped in, forced the dismissal of the reformideology.

Mr. Deng restated China's commitment to change during a tour of southern Guangdong province's special economic zones in late January and early February in his first public appearances for a year.

## Prague Sets Vote On National Unity

Reuters -

PRAGUE — Czechoslovakia will hold a general election on June 5-6 that may determine whether the country is to split into two parts. Voters will elect members of the 300-member Federal Assembly and the Czech and Slovak National Councils, the parliaments of the nation's two constituent regions.

The present parliaments, the first of the post-Communist era, were elected in June 1990 for two years with mandates to draw up new federal and regional constitutions. The Federal Assembly and the regional assemblies, however, are deadlocked on the issues.

Opinion polls consistently show that a large majority in both the The changes virtually ground to Czech republic and Slovakia, the a halt after the government used poorer eastern third of the country. the army to crush pro-democracy want to remain in a common state.

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# **Choosing the Right Angles** To Prevent Keyboard Injury

New Hope

In Curbing

Infant AIDS

Therapy Could Block

By Warren E. Leary

New York Times Service

for blocking transmission of the disease from mother to child and for earlier diagnosis and more effective treatment of the

Animal tests that involved using high con-

centrations of antibodies that attack the virus that causes AIDS may offer a way 10 sever the pathway leading from an infected mother to ber infant. An earlier variation of this therapy,

which involves extracting and concentrating

disease-fighting antibody proteins from donated adult blood, already has proved effective in reducing secondary infections and improving the lives of children afflicted with the disease.

And, working on the assumption that the earlier a disease is diagnosed and treated, the better the outcome, researchers have developed tests that reduce from many months to weeks

the time it takes to tell if the baby of an infected

mother is carrying the AIDS virus.

"A lot of exciting things have happened in the past year," said Dr. Rodney Hoff of the National Institutes of Health. "A number of

drug trials have started, or are about 10 start,

with children. And with some luck, we'll get

some effective treatment to prolong the healthy

field of pediatric AIDS when you think of the

possibility of preventing transmission. When

we come up with a solution, and I'm sure we will, it will be something purely hiological that we can use that will not depend upon changing human behavior to prevent transmission, as is

Tests are under way using AZT and other antiviral AIDS drugs in children, as are trials

using treatments to counteract indirect effects,

such as frequent infections, of the disease, Dr.

Hoff said. Another new study involves giving

AZT, or azidothymidine, the first drug ap-

proved as an AIDS treatment, to pregnant women with AIDS to see if it interrupts trans-

In the United States, about 30 percent of the

infants born to mothers infected with HIV, the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency

A study conducted at the University of Mi-

ami School of Medicine found that half the

infants infected with the virus showed AIDS-

related symptoms within their first year and

that the disease killed half of those infected

The Federal Centers for Disease Control says, about 3,500 children bave been diagnosed with AIDS, of whom more than 1,800 have died. The

agency says 1,500 to 2,000 HTV-infected infants

are born annually. Researchers estimate that 7,000 to 10,000 children in the country are

AIDS virus by bomharding it with high doses of concentrated antibodies from

Experiments at the New York Blood Center

with chimps, the only animal other than hu-

mans that can get AIDS from HIV, showed that

purified doses of antibodies taken from out-

wardly healthy people who are infected with

HIV can prevent the animals from getting the

infection, even when they are exposed to large

"This set the groundwork for trials on whether this approach can protect babies, and per-

haps older humans, from HIV infection," said

Dr. Alfred M. Prince, who directed the study.

"We know this works for hepatitis B when you

use huge amounts of antibody, and we hope the

same is true when applied to HIV."

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EW studies with chimpanzees have

confirmed the practicality of a pro-

posal to shield infants from the

mission to their babies, he added.

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the case with adult AIDS."

R. Thomas C. Quinn of Johns Hop-

kins University also is somewhat optimistic: "There's no question

there is a lot of excitement in the

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AIDS in children that offer hope

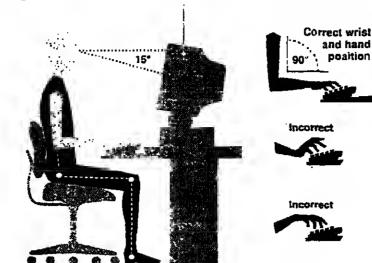
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Back angled backward a few degrees to widen angle between lorso and thighs, increase blood flow, and reduce compression of spine.

Arms relaxed and loose at sidas: forearms and hands parallel to floor. Thighs at right angle to torso. Knees at right angle to thighs.

Back rest fits curva of lower back. Seat inclines forward slightly to transfer pressure from spine to Ihighs

Cushion curves downward at front to ease pressure on Ihighs.



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LIMBERING UP: Exercises for the hands, wrists and fingers



Massage inside and outside of hand with thumb and fingers.

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Graso fingers and gently bend back wrist. Hold for five seconds.

Gently pull thumb down and back until you feel the stretch. Hold for five seconds

Clench fist tightly, Then release, fenning out fingers. Repeat five limes.

# Avoiding Wrist Damage at Work

Sources: John Kella, Ph.O , Miller Health Care Institute for the

EW YORK -Since the huilding of the great pyramids, backbreaking loads, cancer-causing fibers and fumes, lung-damaging dust and other bodily threats have plagued blue-collar workers, who often paid with their health or lives for the privilege of employment. Now, with safeguards largely in place for such risks, it is the white-collar workers' turn to suffer. Growing numbers of people who work hour

after hour on computer keyboards are developing sometimes crippling symptoms in their hands. Some try to ignore the symptoms. Oth-ers seek professional help before it is too late. Still others are banding together to seek changes in their equipment or office environ-ment, sometimes by suing their employers, computer makers or both.

Unions and employers have also begun to hire companies that specialize in ergonomics, the science of fitting the workplace to the worker, to redesign office equipment and train workers to use their bodies in less risky ways.

Dr. Marvin J. Dainoff, director of the Center for Ergonomic Research and a professor of psychology at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, insists that physiologically sensible use of the computer starts with the user's chair. Most experts recommend a chair that allows

you to adjust the height of the seat and the ult of the back and possibly also of the seat. An adjustable table may also be necessary for people who are very tall or very short. You should be able to sit with your feet flat on the floor or a

To minimize stress, the chair should support your lower back and should swivel and roll on casters. To allow for relaxation of muscles and shifts in working postures, the seat back should be able to tilt backward to an angle of 15 degrees or more from the vertical. The desirability of arm rests is a matter of debate.

Next comes the surface on which the computer keyboard rests. When sitting properly in your chair, you should be able to type with a flat wrist. Avoid bending your wrist up or down or twisting it sideways when you type. Lift your hand to reach outlying keys instead of trying to

while typing, avoid resting your wrists on the edge of the work surface; to reduce pressure on the wrists, consider using a padded wrist-and-palm-rest in front of the keyboard.

Try to avoid other potentially wrist-damaging activities when you are not typing. Dr. Dainoff cautions against moves that bend the wrist, especially if force is involved, like pushing a heavy door, opening jars, holding a telephone handset at an angle or resting your head in your band.

Also think about home and recreational activities that might aggravate a sore wrist, in-cluding excessive use of a kitchen knife or playing a musical instrument with a distorted

Use your whole hand Inot just thumh and forefinger) and minimal force when gripping. grasping or lifting an object.

Take frequent hrief rests while typing. Switch to another activity that uses the hands differently. Do not use more force than necessary to hit the keys. Do exercises that strengthen hand and arm muscles and improve circulation in the upper extremities,

When detected and intercepted in their early stages, hand and wrist problems are relatively

Dr. Emil Pascarelli, director of ambulatory care at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Medical Center in New York, who established a hand clinic to treat injured keyboard users, said that antiinflammatory drugs, like ibuprofen, do not seem to work well in treating work-related injuries to the wrists and hands. He also maintains that surgery should be considered a treatment of last resort.

Jane E. Brody

# Study Backs Weight Loss as Hypertension Remedy

EW YORK - Losing weight is the best nondrug treatment for reducing blood pressure in people with pressures on the high side of cor-mal, according to a study of more than 2,100 men and women.

The collaborative study, published in The Journal of the American Medical Association, found that cutting back on dietary salt was also helpful, though less effective than weight loss, in reducing blood pressure in people whose pressures were not high enough to warrant drug

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However, despite the widespread belief that higher than usual risk of this problem. emotional stress can elevate blood pressure, no benefit was found from participating in a stress management program. The study also found no significant benefits to blood pressure from taking supplements like calcium, magnesium, potassium or fish oil, all of which have previously

The researchers from 11 medical centers, who are collaborating in a continuing project sponsored by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute in Bethesda, Maryland, are seeking ways to prevent high blood pressure from developing in people who face a

been linked to lower pressures.

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High blood pressure, or bypertension, can cause or contribute to disorders like heart at-tack, stroke and kidney disease.

The study's 2,182 participants, from 30 to 55 years old, were chosen because their diastobe blood pressures fell between 80 and 90 millime-

Diastolic pressure refers to the pressure of the blood when the heart is at rest and is represented by the lower number in a blood pressure reading. When diastolic pressure measures 90 or above, the person is considered to have high blood pressure.

# A Growing Plague At the Keyboard

# Computer Users Chief Victims Of Latest Work-Related Disorders

By Jane E. Brody New York Times Service

EW YORK - Work-related injuries, long the plague of those who do heavy manual labor, bave become a scourge among white-collar

Experts say bundreds of thousands of office workers are being disabled each year in an epidemic of monon-related damage to the hands and arms that is costing billions of dol-lars annually. The problem is expected to worsen in the current recession as businesses demand greater output from fewer employees and workers ignore symptoms for fear of losing

Over the last decade disorders caused by movements repeated thousands of times a day, long a plague on assembly lines, have invaded the once low-risk environment of the office

worker along with the computer.

Computer operators spend many hours in the same position doing the same task without breaks or variation, giving no time for stressed tissues to recover. Over time, this behavior can induce crippling changes in the sensitive tissues of the wrist and hand. High rates of injury have been reported among data-entry workers, tele-phone operators and newspaper reporters and editors who work for many hours a day typing oo a computer keyboard.

At Newsday, the Long Island and New York newspaper, for example, 40 percent of the writers and editors have reported disabling symptoms of the hand and wrist that researchers say have been caused or made worse by excessive work on computers. Similar problems have oc-curred at The Financial Times of London, The New York Times and Reuters.

HE disorders have many names repetitive stress or repetitive motion injuries, cumulative trauma disorders, of which carpal tunnel syndrome is one, and most recently, work-related musculoskeletal disorders, the designation of the World Health Organization. It boils down to damage caused mainly to tissues in the hand and arm by seemingly innocent actions repeated perhaps thousands of times each work day. from typing on a computer to cutting meat. Some experts call it an overuse syndrome, the

biological equivalent of metal fatigue. While injuries to the back remain the United States's most costly job-related bazard, damage to the wrist and hands is now the fastest growing category of worker's compensation claims.

The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons estimated in 1984 that the problem cost he United States more than \$27 hillion a year in lost wages and medical care, an amount that could well have doubled by now since there has been more than a doubling in reported cases.

Dr. Marvin J. Dainoff, a psychologist who is the director of the Center for Ergonomic Re-search at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. has called repetitive stress injury the "occupa-tional disease of the '90s" similar to the asbeslos crisis of the 1980s.

New companies have been formed to help workers cope. There are also several hand clinics in hospitals around the country that try to rehabilitate injured workers.

At one, the Miller Health Care Institute at St.

Luke's-Roosevett Medical Center in New York, 53 white-collar workers with severe injuries to their wrists and hands are being treated with rest, exercises and splints worn at night to keep

the wrists straight.
"Those with problems that are caught early can expect to recover in a few months," said Dr. Emil Pascarelli, director of ambulatory care at the hospital. "But workers with severe injuries

can take a year or more to get better."

The problem is not new. In 1717 the father of occupational medicine, an Italian doctor named Bernardino Ramazinni, first described cumulative microtrauma as a main cause of

occupational disease. But repetitive motion disorders received only

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a flicker of expert attention until they began striking white-collar workers and especially newspaper reporters.

Dr. Laura Punnett, an ergonomist and epide

miologist at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, said "historically there's been lots of underreporting" of these disorders. As she explained, "Many workers did not recognize the problem as being job-related; others who did worried about losing their jobs if they reported their interior." their injuries."
The Occupational Safety and Health Admin-

istration is only beginning in formulate regula-tions to curh these disorders.

Dr. Barbara Silverstein, an epidemiologist with the state of Washington's Department of Labor and Industries, noted that the United States is slow in trying to curb problems caused hy repetitive motion in the workplace. In Japan, she said, a longstanding national commissioo has limited the time workers can spend at keyboards and set mandatory rest periods. The result, she said, has been fewer repetitive stress injuries among keyboard operators in Japan. A common experience of workers in the United States who report hand and wrist inju-

ries to their employers is to find themselves suspected of malingering. Employers' doubts Some computer-based jobs are 'the sweatshops of the '90s,' says the director of a

rehabilitation program.

are bolstered by the fact that victims of repetitive stress injury take looger to recover and are less likely to return to work if they have filed compensation claims, according to a study of 28,000 workers conducted by Dr. Gary Frank-lin, a neurologist and medical director for the Washington Department of Labor and Indus-

Dr. Franklin also noted that the disabilities suffered by many workers were "out of proportion" to measurable abnormalities in their wrists, a widely acknowledged finding that has prompted Dr. Nortin M. Hadler, a rheumatologist at the University of North Carolina, to dispute whether the problem is real.

Dr. Hadler maintains that musculoskeletal activity that is "reasonable, comfortable and customary and which can be repeated without undue distress," such as typing on a computer, is unlikely to mark in the computer. is unlikely to result in tissue damage.

Others, like Dr. Silverstein, report that although dissatisfied workers are prone to exaggerate their injuries or discomforts, she found m studying workers with problems at Newsday that the most devoted and talented reporters typically suffered the most.

NE complicating factor is being un-able to modify the work schedule and pace of work to an individual's need. Another is receiving too little support from one's supervisor. A third is having an uncomfortable work environment.

Among the physical factors Dr. Dainoff lists as raising a worker's risk of hand-wrist disorders are these:

• High rates of repetingo of the same action.

Awkward or unnatural posture while work-

 Use of excessive force while working, Lack of adequate rest periods or recovery time. Experts estimate that hands should be relieved of repetitive motion for at least 15 minutes every 2 hours to reduce the risk of

injury.

Try telling that to a reporter writing against a deadline," Dr. Silverstein remarked.

Some computer-based jobs are "the sweat-shops of the '90s," said Dr. John Kella, a musician and biomechanic who directs a rehabilitation and retraining program for injured workers at the Miller Institute in New York.

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# U.S. Executives Adjusting To Japan's Auto Culture

By Doron P. Levin New York Times Service

ETROIT—Clark Vitulli had been employed by Mazda
Motor Corp. only a few days when he heard its Japanese
president ask what sounded like a trivial question. "He
wanted to know precisely how we would attach rearview mirrors on trucks arriving in the port—if the holes weren't
drilled properly, rust might develop." Mr. Vitulli said.
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In his 20 years as an auto executive at Chrysler Corp., Mr. Vitulli discovered one thing: auto executives "are expected to focus on the big picture." But at Mazda and other Japanese

transplants, be and other American executives are learning to immerse them-selves in the details, too. As Japanese automakers operating in the United States grow larger and more sophisticated, thousands of Americans are flocking to their white-collar ranks. Most key American executives must coordinate reg-

There is no caste system, but there is loads of work.

ularly with Japanese counterparts. A few Americans have not fit in. But the rest are conforming to practices that are strange and sometimes contrary to their experiences. Accordingly, they are being given positions of significant responsibility and trust.

Though some debate how much authentic power and authority Americans wield within Japanese companies, there is little doubt that American auto executives must change their habits and behavior in a Japanese setting.

At the Big Three, junior executives traditionally earned their spurs by decisiveness, self-assurance and an ability to inspire awe and respect among the troops.

APANESE automakers expect the opposite. Bosses are endowed with anthority — lots of it by Detroit's highly centralized standards — but they also must promote a questioning attitude among subordinates to gather abundant information. Elaborate, time-consuming consensus-building precedes most decisions.

"Unlike Detroit, there's no caste system bere," said Rick A. Lepley, senior vice president of Mitsubishi Motor Corp.'s U.S. sales subsidiary. "Our people don't think about which executive they work for, just which project they are working on." Office politics, he said, is minimal.

James Olson, a senior vice president for Toyota Motor Corp., acknowledged: "There's still a lot of turfitis. Most of us are from Detroit, after all. But this place beats it out of you."

Not completely, however. Bob McCurry, Toyota's executive vice president, has succeeded at the company despite maintaining the authoritarian style he honed first as captain of the Michigan

State football team and then at Chrysler.

It is widely believed that a clash with Mr. McCurry several years ago led to the departure of a charismatic sales executive recruited by Toyota from General Motors Corp. The executive, Jim Perkins, was hired by Toyota in 1984 and returned to GM to become bead of Chevrolet. He refused to say why he had left

Recruiters said Mr. McCurry was very much the exception that proves the rule. "In recruiting for Japanese automakers, you have to listen hard during the interview to avoid a person who is arrogant or whose style is 'do it my way,' " said William Inglis of Korn-Ferry International, an executive search firm.

Interpreting America for the Japanese and figuring out Japanese intentions is a mutual burden. As the fax machine replaced the telex in the last five years, it has speeded communication between California, where most Japanese auto makers have their American headquarters, and Japan.

While American executives sleep, the taxes opera nonstop, depositing stacks of information and graphic material from Japan. When night falls in Los Angeles, the cycle reverses.

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LONDON — The fate of Britain's Big Four banks, which last month announced that in 1991 they had their worst loan losses

since the 1930s, is increasingly beld hostage by the country's dismal property market. "Property accounts for 70 to 75 percent of their bad debt provisions," said Robert Law, a banking analyst with the investment bankers Shearson Lehman Brothers.

Lending to the property sector by British banks quadrupled during the late 1980s to hit £40 billion (\$69.58 billion) by 1990. According to analysts and bankers, however, most of the damage stems not from direct property lending but from soured personal and corporate loans on which the banks took property as collateral. Last month, the banks said they bad loan losses of £5.6 billion in

The situation continues to deteriorate, Many bankers say the weight of their bad debt provisions is now shifting from the large corporate end down to middle-sized compa-nies and in individuals. "It is service compa-nies and individuals who when they go, go,"

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Kohl's spokesman on Wednesday

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a common line with France in world trade talks despite criticism

by government coalition partners

that Paris is blocking negotiations.

Dieter Vogel, the spokesman, said France and Germany alone

could not be blamed for a quarrel

between the European Community and the United States over farm

subsidies, the subject that bas stalled talks on liberalizing trade.

But Otto Lambsdorff, the head of

the minority Free Democrats in Mr.

Kohl's coalition, said Paris ap-

peared to be blocking an EC consen-

sus on agriculture until after French

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spokesman for the Free Democratic

Party said Mr. Lambsdorff had voiced his support for "a majority decision against France in the EC Council of Ministers if necessary."

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Bank. Suddenly driven into bankruptcy, what they leave behind for their bank creditors are the shops, the offices and the houses they pledged as security.

"Property is not the cause of their failure but it does determine the size of the loss for the banks," said Alan Moore, director of corporate banking and treasury at Lloyds

Analysis estimate the vast bulk of the

banks' loan losses come from the steep slide in the value of the property they are left bolding in the wake of the record tide of personal and corporate bankruptcies. "By far the most worrying issue for the banks is the one of collateral values since

property is the basis on which bank loan books are built," said Julian Robins of the brokers Barclays deZoete Wedd.

That basis is looking, by most accounts, exceedingly weak. "The real disaster is London." said Mark Callender, an economist with the Investment Property Databank. He noted that office buildings in the overbuilt City of London financial district have lost on

noted Sir Jeremy Morse, chairman of Lloyds average more than 40 percent of their value in the last two years.

Many analysts forecast those declines could hit 50 percent by the end of 1992. Stories of vanishing values in real estate abound An executive at one of Britain's biggest banks related the tale of a loan his bank had made four years ago in a company

m northern England. "As security we took an office block valued at £3.75 million and now it has an estimated value of £750,000," be said. "We are not talking about a decline but a total evaporation."

Facing losses like that, banks are writing down the value of their loan collateral and then sitting tight. "At the moment they are taking a deep breath and waiting," said Chris Hughes, managing partner at the receivers Cork Gully.

Mr. Hughes, whose firm currently acts as receiver for several banks on a number of different blocks of property noted the lenders are in no burry to sell into a market that is still sagging. He said the banks have asked his firm to wait for a reasonable bid, a wait

Number of executives

that in several cases has already lasted a year and more.

When it comes to their direct loans to property companies, many banks are choosing to temporarily ignore the fact that they are in some cases unable in pay the interest on their loans.

"Some are technically insolvent but the banks would rather take a bath for a while on the interest rather than crystalize a disaster' by pushing them into liquidation, said Mr.

Some analysts say that bankers' patience with property sales could stem from greed. As one property analyst summed it up, a bank left holding an erstwhile £3 million property as collateral for a £2 million loan will balk at selling it now for £750,000 when maybe in a year they figure it can be sold for

"They don't want in give up that gain in somebody else," said the analyst. How far down the road that turnaround will be no one knows, although the common

betting is that prices will stabilize sometime See BANKS, Page 11

## For U.S. Exports, Failure to Coordinate report released last month, all programs to

By Keith Bradsher

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — At a time of heightened concern about American competitiveness and lagging foreign trade, debate is growing over whether the United States' modest and loosely coordinated efforts at export promotion are falling behind other industrialized nations.

American businesses, whose shipments abroad are viewed as the best bope for leading the United States out of recession, are far less likely than their rivals abroad to get lowinterest government loans or belp from embassies when they try to sell goods in foreign

The French government, for example, assigned one official in Tokyo in 1990 to handle commercial affairs for every six French business executives working there. And the Italian government had one official for every two business executives, according to an internal draft of a Commerce Department study. At the American Embassy, the figure was

one official for every 62 executives.

Yet less than three weeks after President George Bush took corporate executives to Japan in January to look for sales opportuni**Developing Deals** Business executives in Japan United States

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ties, be proposed what amounts to a \$1.9 million cut, after inflation, in the \$114.2 million budget for commercial officials overseas and in the United States, along with the elimination of 13 of 1,287 positions. According to a General Accounting Office

promote exports suffer from a lack of a national strategy.

The report concluded, "Without an overall strategy, the U.S. government does not have reasonable assurances in today's highly com-petitive economic environment that its exportpromotion resources are being most effectively used to emphasize sectors, regions and pro-

grams with the highest potential return."
Representative Doug Barnard Jr., Democrat of Georgia, who ordered the study, scheduled a hearing on it for Wednesday before the Commerce Consumer and Monetary Affairs

subcommittee, which he leads. American businesses are also becoming more vocal in demanding a government ex-

port policy.

The board of the U.S.-Japan Business Council, a Washington-based group of senior executives from leading American and Japanese corporations, recommended on Feb. 18 that "the U.S. government initiate an export

vision, with special emphasis on Japan."
For all the criticism, Mr. Bush's administration has done the most to promote exports and help manufacturers find their way

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## Air Reservation Giants Plan to Merge sure on American Airlines to form

By Agis Salpukas

Mr. Lambsdorff spoke one day after his party colleague, Economics New York Times Service NEW YORK - Two leading Minister Jürgen Möllemann, named airline computer reservation sys-tems, Apollo, controlled by United France as the main country holding up an agreement in the Uruguay Round of talks under the General Airlines, and Galileo, formed by a group of major European carriers, Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. will be merged into what would be But Mr. Vogel said, "The chanthe first global system outside the control of a major airline, accord-

condition of anonymity.

cellery has made it clear to all sides we intend to maintain a coming to several executives. The merger is expected to be The GATT negotiations, due to end by April 15, broke down in announced Thursday by John C. Pope, the chairman of Covia, the December 1990 over a disagree-United affiliate that owns the ment between the Community and Apollo system, in Amsterdam, said

One of the executives said United would not have a majority interest in the merged system, as it now has in Covia, which is one of the leading systems in the United

This will create the first global and neutral system," the executive Until now, large systems have

American Airlines controls Sabre, Apollo's primary competitor.

Carriers that control such sys-tems have often benefited as travel agents, who use the system to make the executives. They spoke on the reservations and search out the best fares, often booked customers on

the airlines that owned them, partly because their flights were more prominently displayed. But much of the bias in listing flights has been climinated in recent years.

Another factor is that the airlines often provide incentives like higher commissions to an agency if it books a certain number of passengers for the carrier in a given

Making the system more neutral could benefit consumers because travel agents would have an easier

time searching out the best fares and the availability of seats. The merger could also put pres-

Enropean carriers. Galileo was formed in 1987 by nine European carriers - British

Airways, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Ahtalia, Swissair. Austrian Airlines, Olympic, Sabena, Air Portugal and Aer Lingus. Covia, with operations

a union with Amadeus, the other

major reservation system set up by

Chicago, is controlled by United, ment was bailed it out in 1987 and but its shareholders include British Airways, Alitalia, Swissair and KLM, which bought an interest for \$500 million. Thus, the ground has net profit in 1991 rose 5 percent, to already been laid for an eventual 87.4 million guilders (\$47 million).

# **Fokker** In Talks On Plane

# Unit of Daimler Is Negotiating on 70-Seat Jetliner

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

AMSTERDAM — Fokker NV:
holding talks with Deutsche Aerospace SA on cooperating in the launch of a new 70-seat jetliner, the companies said Wednesday.

Fokker hinted the talks could result in a strategic alliance designed to ensure that both aerospace companies remained players in the highly competitive aerospace.

An agreement could see the birth of the world's largest builder of short- to medium-range carriers with 70 to 130 seats, industry. sources said.

"It is a common understanding of the parties that a restructuring of the European regional aircraft in-dustry has to take place to ensure profitability and competitiveness. the statement said.

The planes would be suited to link hub airports with small airports, a Fokker spokesman said. He said he was unable to say how much both companies planned to invest in the joint-venture.

Fokker said an announcement on the form of the alliance was expected in two to three months. . . Dutch analysts said it was unlikely that Fokker would be swal-

lowed up by Deutsche Aerospace, which is part of the German industrial giant Daimler-Benz AG. "Fokker is tiny compared to. Deutsche Aerospace and Boeing, but the Dutch government will want to see Fokker preserved," said.

Ate Kahrel, the director of Wesselius & Co. in Amsterdam. Fokker has acknowledged in the past year that there are too many producers of short- and medium-haul commercial jetliners for small independents such as itself to sur-

vive on their own. The two companies already cooperate on Fokker's F-100 jetliner, which will serve as the basis for the new 70-seat aircraft, The Dutch acrospace concern said in October that it wanted to

have the first 70-seaters available to customers by mid-1994. Fokker forecast a global market for the jetliner of 700 aircraft by the year 2000, and it hopes to capture half of that market. Fokker also has plans on the drawing board to develop a 130-

seat version of the F-100, which may be available as early as 1997. Fokker is in much better financial shape than when the Dutch govern-

imposed as a condition that the

company seek foreign alliances. (AP. AFP. Bloomberg)

# In South China: Capitalism at the Door, Deals on the Phone

By Laurence Zuckerman
International Herald Tribune GUANGZHOU, China - Xie Naichang, general manager of Guangzhou Donghua Enterprise Corp., one of the leading real estate companies in the city.

telephone call. Returning, Mr. Xie apologized to a visitor, explaining that the call was from a foreign investor inquiring about the possibility of making a deal with Donghua. It was one of 20 such calls he has received daily in recent weeks from

excused himself for a moment to take a

suitors in Hong Kong, the United States, Singapore and elsewhere, Mr. Xie said. "One evening, someone even called me at home at eleven o'clock," he said. These are heady days in the capital of

China's booming southern province of

Guangdong. Managers and officials used to marching to a faster beat than most of their counterparts elsewhere in China have even more spring in their step in the aftermath of last month's visit to the province by China's senior leader, Deng Xiaoping.

During his visit, Mr. Deng, 87, toured the special economic zone of Shenzhen across the border from Hong Kong and, voicing his approval, reportedly urged of-ficials to move forward without hesitation. The appearance apparently inspired a

"deepening" of China's 12-year-old economic reforms, culminating in an unprece-dented front-page essay in the official Peo-ple's Daily praising capitalism by name.

In Hong Kong, these developments helped fuel a stock market rally that has

seen the Hang Seng Index rise 6 percent since the beginning of February. Across the border in Guangdong.

which is already registering an annual industrial growth rate of more than 25 percent, there has been a similar surge of

"There is a great atmosphere for re-form now," said Zhao Shan Pang, deputy director of the financial control department of the Guangdong branch of People's Bank of China.

"Just a few days ago, the party commit-tee of Guangdong held a meeting focusing on speeding reforms in the province."

Mr. Zhao said the way was now clear for the province to carry out reforms that were planned as long ago as 1988. They were shelved after Beijing launched a

national austerity program that fall and

onstrators in Beijing in June 1989 further bobbled advocates of more rapid and innovative economic liberalization.

"Now we can implement those and go even further," he said. Chief among these initiatives are a re-

structuring of state enterprises and the establishment of a securities market. Although Guangdong's private sector and quasi-private sector moved ahead ag-gressively in recent years, local officials have been stymied in their efforts to push

responsive to the market. Now, however, Beijing appears ready to abandon the "iron chair" policy, under which state managers are awarded virtual

aside recalcitrant state managers and

make money-losing state enterprises more

terprises to fail and be merged.

"In the future, we will treat stateowned enterprises the same way we treat joint ventures," said Yi Zhenqiu, director of the Systems Reform Office of Guangdong's Economic Systems Reform Re-search Council. "The government will just collect taxes."

The vision of the future Chinese economy that Mr. Yi presents is one in which the government will retreat behind a strong legal and regulatory framework, exercising only macroeconomic control and redistributing wealth to correct im-balances and dislocations of the free mar-

Still, he is careful to insist that China's See CHINA, Page 12

# For PC Users: Beware the 6th of March

NEW YORK - When clocks strike midnight on Thursday, a computer saboteur somewhere in the world will toast the birth of a new Michelangelo.

across the world who switch on their IBMcompatible personal computers on Friday, the 517th anniversary of the Italian Renaissance master's birth, the results could be misery. Michelangelo's namesake is a new computer

For thousands of people and company

virus estimated to have infected more than one million International Business Machines Corp. and compatible computers in less than a year. A small program that lies hidden in ordinary

software, the virus will overwrite with gibberish

the permanent hard disk memory of any infected

computer that gets switched on, or booted, from travels by floppy disk, posing big potential head-a floppy disk on Friday. travels by floppy disk, posing big potential head-access for companies that store vital information a floppy disk on Friday. "For the first time, the industry is realizing the impact of the virus problem," said John McAfee,

chairman of the Computer Virus Industry Association, which has received about 120 reports of Michelangelo infection per day. He said that a highly disturbing fact about Michelangelo — one of an estimated 1,200 com-

puter viruses known to exist — is that it has evaded quality control checks. The virus has been fed into the distribution networks of more than 25 hardware and software

makers. One manufacturer distributed 3,000 to 5,000 infected components before eliminating it from production.

Michelangelo is also widespread because it

on personal computers. "The fiscal responsibilities are enormous. We

McAfee. There are few clues to the identity of the

person whose plot first came in light in northern Europe and was pinned down in June by a German virus specialist. The Computer Emergency Response Team, a

Carnegie Mellon University group funded by the U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, issued a warning about the Michelangelo virus in February to the government and aca-demic operators of 800,000 computers world-

# Moody's Drops Rating on IBM Bonds

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK - Moody's Investors Service Inc. withdrew its triple-A rating on the bonds of International Business Machines Corp. on Wednesday, warning of a deterioration in the computer giant's competitive position. Aga is the highest credit rating that the Wall

Street agency assigns, reflecting remote default risks. Moody's downgraded IBM debt two notches, to Aa2, which still reflects a very high quality honds that run bittle chance of default. The move affected \$18 billion of senior debt outstanding from IBM and its wholly owned

national Finance NV.

It also pushed IBM shares down 87.5 cents on the New York Stock Exchange and set off a decline in other blue chip stocks. (Page 10). 1BM, a component of the Dow Jones industrial average, traditionally has been a beliwether issue for Wall Street. Standard & Poor's Corp., the other leading

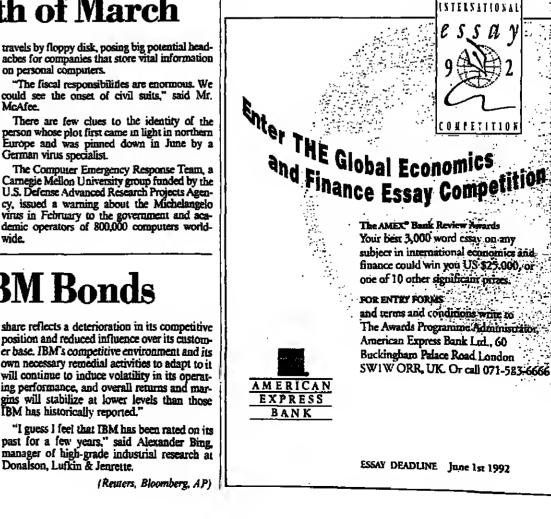
Wall Street credit rating agency, also said it could downgrade IBM from AAA if the company does not regain lost profitability.

Moody's said, "IBM's decline in market

subsidiaries IBM Credit Corp. and IBM Inter- share reflects a deterioration in its competitive position and reduced influence over its customer base. IBM's competitive environment and its own necessary remedial activities to adapt to it will continue to induce volatility in its operating performance, and overall returns and margins will stabilize at lower levels than those IBM has historically reported."

> "I guess I feel that IBM has been rated on its past for a few years," said Alexander Bing, manager of high-grade industrial research at Donalson, Lufkin & Jenrette.

(Reuters, Bloomberg, AP)



# IBM Downgrade **Undercuts Dow**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Wall Street stocks tumbled late Wednesday after Moody's Investors Service lowered its ratings oo the bonds of International Business Machines Corp., taking away the coveted top grading of the computer maker's

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 21.69, to 3,268.56. Losing issues outnumbered gamers by a 9-5 ratio

#### N.Y. Stocks

on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume fell to 206.77 million shares from 200.86 million traded

on Tuesday.

IBM, which had been trading more than \$1 above Tuesday's closing price, shed \$7.5 ceots, to \$87.375, after the downgrade of about \$18 billion of long-term debt. A round of computer-generated sell orders just before the market close compounded the downward

pressure, Birinyi Associates said. "I think the IBM reversal is what started it," said William Lord, a senior vice president in equity trading at Lehman Brothers. "I'm oot that worried about it because the

fact of the matter is it just gave the futures traders an excuse."

Stocks were mixed for most of the session as people awaited Friday's employment report, traders said. Earlier news of a 0.4 percent rise in U.S. factory orders for January sent the index as high as 3,299.42 before retreated on a slump in Merck shares. Trading in Merck was halted during the morning amid negative rumors about the company.

In response to inquiries, Merck said studies of its cholesterol-lowering drugs Mevacor and Zocor continue to prove their safety and effectiveness, and a spokesman added the company did not know how rumors about them originated Merck closed down \$2.625, at \$51.25, but the stock has surged in recent weeks following a stock split and dividend increase

Telefonos de Mexico paced the Big Board actives, dropping 2 to 56% on reports the Mexican government plans to sell some of its remaining 9.5 percent stake in Telmex and workers threatened to strike to press their demands for wage hikes. Glaxo Holdings followed, falling

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# Dollar at 5-Month High On Hopes for Economy

NEW YORK — The dollar made a dramatic rally in New York

on Wednesday and closed at the highest level against the Deutsche mark since Oct. 3. . Dealers said that the dollar's rai-

ly was based oo prospects for an

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improving economy and that any pullback would be limited.

"Buy dollars on dips is the theme in this market, said Earl Johnson of Harris Trust & Savings Bank. The dollar closed at 1.6684 Deut-

sche marks, up from 1,6575 at the close Tuesday, and at 131,65 yea, up from 131.065. It rose to 1.5305 Swiss francs from 1.5080, and to 5.6685 French francs from 5.6315.

"Traders said the dollar was continuing to benefit from positive U.S. economic data earlier this week, including leading indicators, oew home sales and a survey of purchasing managers.

Analysts said the dollar would consolidate uotil U.S. payroll data for February had been released on

In London, the dollar reached a 1992 high against the mark. The resistance level of 1.6650

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DM had been the previous 1992 high, but the dollar soared past that in a wave of U.S. fund buying to end in London at 1.6735 DM, up from 1.6575 DM.

The dollar's latest surge began with a breach of a major yen resistance level in Asia.

The big break on the yen came after Finance Minister Tsutomu Hata said intervention would be of little use when the dollar was rising on speculative buying. His timing was unfortunate for the yen; the Bank of Japan intervened as he The dollar ended in Loodon at

132.15 yen, up from 130.82. It also rose to 1.5223 Swiss francs from

The British pound fell to \$1,7230 from \$1.7402.

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REPORT

Saudi Prince Converts Citicorp Stake NEW YORK (Reuters) — Prince Alwaleed Ibn Talal of Saudi Arabia is seeking approval to convert his preferred stake in Citicorp to common shares, which would make him the bank's largest shareholder with a more-than 14 percent interest, a Citicorp document says.

Citicorp's proxy statement to shareholders said the prince has filed notice with the Federal Reserve Board of his plans to convert his nonresting preferred shares to the 368 million common shares then

nonvoting preferred shares to the 36.8 million common shares they represent. That holding, 9.6 percent of the outstanding common shares, would be in addition to his existing 4.8 percent stake of Citicorp common. Meanwhile, Citicorp's top officers got no bonuses for the second year in a row, and 1991 salaries were frozen, Citicorp said in its 1992 proxy

# Manila's Westinghouse Suit Settled

NEWARK. New Jersey (Reuters) — A settlement was reached on Wednesday in bribery lawsuit filed by the Philippine government against

Westinghouse Electric Co. and a New Jersey engineering concern.

The Philippines government filed charges in 1988 accusing Westinghouse, which is headquartered in Pittsburgh, and engineering company Burns & Roe Enterprises Inc. of bribing former President Ferdinand E. Marcos with \$17.3 million win the contract to build the \$2.1 billion nuclear power plant project. Terms of the settlement were not available.

# Judge Leaves It Up to UPI Creditors

NEW YORK (AP) - United Press International is losing \$100,000 a month and may be close to going out of business, the judge overseeing its bankruptcy reorganization said Wednesday as he gave its creditors new

Wednesday was the deadline for management to file a plan for bringing UPI out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Francis Conrad refused UPI's request for an extension until June 4, and instead allowed the creditors to devise their own plan.

# Factory Orders Up 0.4% in January WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — Orders to U.S. factories rose slightly in January, led by a 2.2 percent jump in durable goods, the government reported Wednesday. But the overall rise of 0.4 percent was

Overall, orders increased to a seasonally adjusted \$235 billion, following a revised 3.7 percent fall in December and a 0.4 percent rise in November. The consensus of forecasts had been for a 1 percent rise in January.

## Minolta and Honeywell Reach Accord

TOKYO (Bloomberg) — Minolta Camera Co., following a ruling against it in a patent infringement case, has reached an agreement with Honeywell Inc. to pay Honeywell \$127.5 million in ticensing fees for use of its automatic focusing technology, Minolta said.

The sum includes \$96 million that a U.S. jury in New Jersey awarded to Honeywell in the case against Minolta, the Japanese company said. Minolta increased the payment to include patent rights for the foture. The agreement will be signed by March 9, Minolta said. Company officials declined to comment further.

#### For the Record ITT Corp.'s long-term debt rating was placed under review for possible

clow economists' forecasts.

apgrade by Moody's Investors Service after the announcement of the sale of ITT's 30 percent stake in Alcatel NV to Alcatel Alsthom SA of France m a deal worth \$3.6 billion. Miles Inc. said profits fell 32 percent in 1991, to \$101 million, largely due to restructuring costs and disappointing sales of lab instruments. (AP)

Westvaco Corp. said it was one of 33 paper companies named in a

class-action suit relating to dioxin discharges and seeking damages of up to \$100 billion in the District Court of Jefferson County, Texas. The suit alleges a variety of torts including nuisance, trespass and infliction of

#### **U.S. FUTURES** France Approves BSN's Offer for Exor

PARIS - French regulators on Wednesday gave the green light to a takeover bid by the the BSN food company for Exor SA, clearing the way for a head-to-head battle for control of Source

The Commission des Opérations de Bourse ap-proved a takeover bid by BSN for all shares in Exor, which is cootrolled by Italy's Agnelli family,

friendly bid by the Agnelli firm IFINT for Exor until April 23. IFINT already owns 42.2 percent of Exor and is bidding 1,320 francs per share for the rest, compared with BSN's 1,420 for all the shares.

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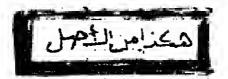
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BASEL, Switzerland - Swiss

Bank Corp., Switzerland's second-

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Wednesday that consolidated net

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Swiss Bank Posts Record Net

The results paralleled those announced last week by Union Bank of Switzerland, the country's big-

profit rose 25.5 percent in 1991, to a record 1.03 billion frames (\$684 gest bank.
"All in all, we are confident that million), and that it expected furthe bank will generate good results during the year," Walter Frehner, It was the first time the bank had reported profit of more than I bilthe chief executive, said in remarks prepared for a news conference.

He said he expected commis-

lished reserves. Swiss Bank said it had made provisions of 211 million francs for endangered credits to the collapsed media empire of the late Robert Maxwell, to which it has total expo-Genentech Targets Europe

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gered real estate loans. Mr. Frehner shrugged off a threatened downgrading of Swiss Bank's Aan credit rating by Moody's Investors Service, a fate that has befallen Credit Suisse.

He argued that a downgrading was unjustified hecause Swiss Bank, unlike Credit Suisse, had the leeway to allocate a further 1 bil-lion francs to published reserves as needed, from unpublished reserves

and by issuing subordinated debt. He repeated a commitment to boost pretax return on equity to around 15 percent in the medium term from 10.75 percent in 1991, although he said the goal might be lowered if interest rates and general vields fell.

SBC also proposed streamlining its lucrative investment-banking business by combining its own four Swiss private banks with the portfolio-management operation of Banca della Svizzera Italiana. SBC took control of BSI last year and

Most of BSI's unprofitable retail banking operation outside its bome region of Italian-speaking Switzerland would be closed, with the loss of around 100 jobs.

Swiss Bank's group assets grew Sales and profit growth were up (Rewers, AP)

# Daimler Extends Reuter's Contract

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

STUTTGART - Daimler-Benz AG, Germany's largest industrial conglomerate, on Wednesday extended for two years the contract of Edzard

Reuter as management board chairman.

The supervisory board said Mr. Reuter, 64, would stay in his job until the end of 1995. His contract was due to expire in 1993.

Mr. Reuter became chairman of Daimler in 1987 and has been instrumental in rurning the company into a high-technology group with interests ranging from cars to aircraft and micro-electronics.

The supervisory board also decided that Werner Niefer, 63, the management board chairman of Daimler's subsidiary Mercedes-Benz AG, would step down on May 26, 1993. Helmut Werner, 55, currently the head of the commercial division, which makes trucks and buses, will replace him. Industry analysis and the German press had expected the board to extend Mr. Reuter's contract

and to nominate Mr. Werner. The change in Mercedes management comes at a critical time for Daimler's flagship company. Mr. Werner will have to cut costs at the car division, which is encountering increasing competitive pressure because of moves by Japanese manufacturers

into the luxury car market.
In 1987, Mr. Werner moved to Mercedes from the tire maker Continental AG, where he was

management board chairman, and has since turned around the commercial vehicle division, Industry sources said the division became profitable last year after years of losses. Mercedes does not report divisional profits.

Mr. Reuter was involved in the copmany's acquisition spree in the mid-1980s, when it began to diversify into aerospace and electronics industry. The move burdened Daimler's profits but its dividend has remained at 12 DM since 1986. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

#### **Buyout of Matra Venture**

BERLIN — Daimler-Benz AG said Wednesday that it would buy the 50 percent it does not own of Matra-MHS SA, a joint venture with the French

military electronics concern Matra SA. Frank Dieter Maier, the chief executive-desig-nate of Daimler's Mikroelektronik GmbH subsidiary, said the Daimler unit AEG AG currently held percent of the computer company and that

"We will take over the rest of the company in the next few years," Mr. Maier said.

Daimler took a small stake in Matra when the company was privatized in 1988.

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# **EC Environment Chief Gets Tough**

New York Times Service

SAN FRANCISCO - Genentech Inc. said it would set up a

European subsidiary, Genentech Europe, to develop and promote DNase, the U.S.-based biotechnology concern's recombinant drug

The establishment of the new unit is part of an accord between Genentech and Hoffman-La Roche Ltd. of Basel Switzerland,

DNase is entering the final stage of clinical trials in the United

States and Europe, with a filing for European marketing approval

"The DNase agreement is aimed at expediting the approval and ensuring the international sales success of DNase while establishing

a viable Genentech presence in Europe," said G. Kirk Raah, Genen-

for the treatment of cystic fibrosis and chronic bronchitis.

which bought a majority interest in Genentech in 1990.

for cystic fibrosis expected in early 1993.

tech's president and chief executive.

BRUSSELS - The European Community's environment chief said on Wednesday he would pull out of the June "Earth Summit" in Brazil unless the EC first committed itself to taxing energy more heavily and got a planned environment agency started.

Environment Commissioner Carlo Ripa di Meana's ultimatum was meant to put pressure on EC governments to approve to his plan for an environmental tax on energy and other projects, it also reflects a growing feeling within the commission, the EC executive body, that the buge UN Conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro was doorned to failure, largely because the United States refuses to commit itself to limiting its contribution to the greenhouse effect.

Commission sources said the panel's president, Jacques Delors, is also considering withdrawing from the conference of world leaders, intended to start an era of North-South cooperation in environmentally-respectful economic development.

now owns around 58 percent.

by 8.5 percent in 1991, to 206.8 billion francs.

#### Cadbury Posts 13% Rise in Pretax Profit in the beverages and candy divi-sions, the company said. It also said Coca-Cola brands such as Coke.

LONDON - Cadhury Schweppes PLC, the candy and bev-

erages company, said Wednesday its pretax profit climbed 13.2 percent last year, helped by strong results from new businesses. Pretax profit rose to £316.4 mil-

lion (\$550 million) in 1991 from £279.6 million the previous year. Sales were up slightly, to £3.23 billion from £3.15 billion in 1990. Cadbury raised its full-year divi-

dend to 12.5 pence from 11.5 pence. Earnings per share improved to 27.73 pence from 25.29 pence. Analysis said the result was a

good one in view of the recession.

it reduced net borrowings to £333 million from £364 million in 1990. In Britain, Cadbury said, the Trebor Bassett candy unit made

"strong progress," pushing sales up by 4 percent. Cadbury's joint venture Coca-

Cola & Schweppes Beverages managed to raise operating profit by 25 percent, to £77 million, in a market where overall volume feil.

The British venture, 51 percent owned by Cadbury Schweppes and 49 percent by Coca-Cola Co., produces Schweppes brands including Sunkist and Schweppes tonic, and

Diet Coke, Fanta and Sprite. A joint venture in Austria and Germany by Schweppes and Apollinaris got off 10 a firm start, the

company said, with the volume of Schweppes brands sold there up 13 percent in volume this year. Cadbury also said that Chocolat Poulain of France had recovered

from difficulties in 1990, with sales up 9 percent last year. The Oasis and Schweppes businesses are now fully integrated in France, with trading profit up 70 percent.

In the United States, Cadbury generated 6.6 percent growth in the amount of soft drinks it sold.
(UPI, Rewers, Bloomberg)

#### Very briefly:

 Christiania Bank og Kreditkasse, the state-controlled Norwegian bank, had a net loss of 9.17 billion kroner (\$1.41 billion) in 1991, compared with a loss of 1.25 billion a year earlier.

• Italy's inflation fell to an annual rate of 5.4 percent in February from 6.1 percent in January.

 GKN PLC, a British engineering company, said 1991 pretax profit fell nearly 45 percent, to £95 million (\$165 million) from £172 million. • Renault, the French state-controlled automaker, said Iran's second-

largest automaker, Saipa, suspended assembly of the Renault 5 hatchback. · CSA, the Czechoslovak national airline, will lease five Boeing 737 aircraft to replace seven Soviet-made TU-154 jets, reversing an earlier intention to update the fleet in cooperation with Airbus Industries.

 Siemens AG said its telecommunications venture in Ukraine won its first order from the republic, worth 12 million Deutsche marks (\$7.2 million). • ABN Amro Bank NV is awaiting approval from the Spanisb Finance Ministry for the Dutch bank's plan to acquire a 90 percent stake in the Capital Markets Equities SA stock brokerage. Reuters, AFX, AF

# EXPORTS: Is the U.S. Falling Behind in Coordinating Efforts to Boost Foreign Trade?

through Washington's bureaucratic maze since American businesses began complaining during the 1950s. Mr. Bush created a Trade Promotioo Coordinating Committee in May 1990, with representa-tives from 18 agencies. But the

authority. American officials say informal coordination exists. And they contend that any strategy aimed at helping specific industries would

committee is temporary and has no

and would clash with the American tradition of keeping markets free,

"Neither our government nor our businesses are interested in providing or taking that kind of direction," said James D. Berg, the executive vice president of Overseas Private Investment Corp., a federal agency that provides loans and political-risk insurance for U.S. investment abroad.

Critics say the government is setting up a straw man. They suggest the real issue is money and that risk helping the wrong industries modest budgets for every export

program except those in agriculture show a lack of interest by the government in efforts that do not immediately produce benefits readily apparent to voters.

The hig winner in the system has long been American agriculture. The General Accounting Office report found that food accounted for only one-tenth of U.S. exports but three-quarters of the government's \$2.66 billioo in export assistance outlays during the year ended Sept.

While the export tasks are aimed

at a single goal - reducing the \$65 billion trade deficit - they are carried out by 10 federal agencies, the report pointed out,

The State Department's Agency for International Development encourages exports to poor countries, the U.S. Trade and Development Program spends \$37 million a year for studies of American export opportunities and the Overseas Private Investment Corp. insures companies against the expropriation of their foreign holdings.

The Agriculture and Energy de-

partments and the Small Business Administration promote exports from the industries they oversee.

The Expon-Import Bank of the United States gives loans and loan guarantees to exporters, while the Commerce Department maintains a staff of 200 trade analysts for specific industries and posts trade advisers across the country and at embassies overseas.

Even the Interior Department and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration assign employees to promote exports.

#### **BANKS:** Lenders Holding a Near-Empty Bag Property also causes banks un-

(Continued from first finance page) next year. Until then, bankers literally have little idea as to bow much they might lose of their vast holdings of homes, offices, plants and industrial parks.

In the meantime chastened bankers have hastily redrawn their criteria for lending on property. The head of the loan committee at a large British hank said that today bankers commonly will only lend 60 percent of the value of a property against 80 percent before the price collapse, and that today they

will only lend if that property produces enough rent to cover the interest payment plus a hit of the

Before, he noted that there were no such "coverage" requirements. Unfortunately, many specialists concede that toughened policy will almost surely prolong the real estate slump since it will greatly constrain the flow of cash back into the market. Without that gusher of

borrowed cash it is hard to imagine

property prices taking wing any

time soon say the analysts.

large landowners. Brian Pearse, chief executive of Midland Bank, noted that his institution revalues its property holdings every five years.

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The next review is scheduled in two years, "By then properties will have regained their value," be noted. That, of course, remains to be

NASDAO prices as of 4 p.m. New York time. This list compiled by the AP, consists of the 1,000

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#### ASIA / PACIFIC

# Fujitsu Targets U.S. In Supercomputers

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - Fuitsu Ltd. said Wednesday that it plans to re-enter the U.S. market for supercomputers, setting the stage for competition with American manufacturers in what analysts predicted would be an uphill battle.

Fujitsu, the world's second-biggest supercomputer maker, trailing Cray Research Inc. of Minneapolis. plans to sell its VP-2000 series supercomputers in the commercial market, aiming at specific indus-tries, it said in a statement.

The company offered its super-computers in the United States through Amdahl Corp. in the late 1980s, but abandoned the effort after failure to penetrate the market. Then, Fujitsu offered its machines to the U.S. government and other public-sector organizations.

NEC Corp. of Japan has been attempting to sell its supercomputers to the U.S. government,

without success to date.
Fujitsu said Wednesday its computers were especially well-suited to oil exploration and production applications. It said it expected only a Thomas M. Miller, vice president

of the supercomputer group of Fu-jitsu America, said Fujitsu would

offer a 25 percent price-performance advantage in selling its family of 10 VP-2000 models, which

range from \$2 million to \$17 million. Fujitsu's move comes at a time of increasing trade tensions between the United States and Japan, and to head off criticism Fujitsu executives stressed that significant components used in its supercomputers

are made in Oregon and Colorado. "Most of Fujitsu's problems will be political, not technical," said Michael Jeremy, of Baring Securities. Other analysts said Fujitsu's machines, equipped with advanced standard software, were likely to be a more credible threat than those of NEC to Cray and International Business Machines Corp.

"Fujitsu should be able to go toeto-toe with any player," said Gary Smaby, president of Smaby Group, a market research and consulting firm in Minneapolis. "They make machines that are really reliable."

Executives of Cray said Fujitsu had not reached the top-of-the-line performance necessary to compete in the market. But they acknowledged that the Japanese entry

(Reuters, NYT)

# Nissan Adding U.S. Parts

TOKYO - Nissan Motor Co. plans to enlist the services of 163 new American auto-parts suppliers by the end of 1992 to boost the local content of its U.S.-made cars, a spokesman said Wednesday.

The move is Nissan's first effort to make good on its January pledge to raise its annual purchases of U.S.-made auto parts to \$3.7 billion by 1995. Nissan would use \$2.9 billion of the parts to build cars at its plant in Smyrna, Tennessee, and in a joint venture with Ford Motor Co. in Avon Lake, Ohio in the financial year that ends in March 1995. An additional 23 companies are to supply Nissan with parts for the cars it builds in its Japanese factories.

Nissan bought parts from 157 U.S. suppliers last year.

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 South Korea will not permit Japanese securities firms to open branches in South Korea because they were mired in scandals at home last year, the Finance Ministry said.

• The Philippines National Statistics Office reported that gross national product shrank 0.05 percent in 1991, compared with 3.93 percent growth in 1990.

 Voest-Alpine Machinery of Austria, the major creditor of Semirara Coal Corp., has agreed to take a 40 percent stake in the ailing Philippine public company in a debt restructuring. · Chinese trade delegations plan to visit Vietnam to examine business

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 Theiland's five largest commercial banks said they would cut lending and deposit rates by between 0.5 percent and 1.0 percent on Friday. Teijin Ltd., the top polyester maker in Japan, expects to report a 21.6 percent drop in current profit for fiscal 1991.

# Tycoon Wins Ruling in Bid to Regain Philippines Firms

paign, stock analysis said.

MANILA - The Philippine tycoon Eduardo Cojuangeo, who is running for president, won a legal victory on Wednesday on the road to recovering his sequestered businesses. His empire of more than 400 companies was

taken over by the government of President Cora-zon C. Aquino after the fall of Ferdinand E. Marcos on the ground that his wealth was illegally acquired. Mr. Cojuangeo, Mrs. Aquino's cous-in and Mr. Marcos's so-called "king crony," ran shipping companies and owned large coconut antations and agricultural estates.

The Philippine Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that Mr. Cojuangco could vote his 17.7 percent block of shares in the United Coconut Planters' Bank. The ruling could help him regain control of San Miguel Corp., the country's largest publicly listed company, and give a strong boost to his presidential cam-

The bank holds through investment companies 30 percent of the stock of San Miguel, a food and beer conglomerate that employs about 35,700 people across the country.

Before he fled the country with Mr. Marcos in 1986, Mr. Cojuangco was chairman of San Miguel and held the controlling interest in the bank. He personally holds 18 percent of San Miguel shares.

Mr. Cojuangco, 56, heads the Nationalist Peo-ple's Coalition, which he formed. He is among eight contenders to succeed Mrs. Aquino. Since he returned from exile in 1989, he has

won a series of legal battles to recover his empire. He controls three seats on the 15member board of San Miguel. The government

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economy will remain largely in state hands. "Some people lost confidence in state ownership because of the breakup of the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe," he said. "This tendency is wrong. Our economy should be built on the basis of market competition, but should remain state-owned."

That apparent contradiction goes to the heart of Guangzhou's attempts to follow Shenzhen and Shanghai by setting up its own new limit of the debate over reform

In 1990. Guangdong's savings

rate was 32.8 percent, and an astometrounding \$19.2 billion was on deposit in local banks because there are so few alternative investments.

Observer in Guangzhou. "How do cials said, enterprises from elsewhere in local banks because there are so few alternative investments.

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channel some of those funds into productive investment and cool con-sumer spending. A stock exchange would also serve the overhaul of state enterprises by helping separate management and ownership.

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flamboyant deputy mayor, said

that the city had received official permission to set up an exchange.

But a group of Hong Kong investment managers and brokers who visited Beijing earlier this week were told that there would

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LAS VEGAS — On a evening when he could have used one of his world-famous white towels to dah away the tears, an emotional Jerry Tarkanian said a reluctant goodbye as coach of Nevada-Las Vegas's baskethall teams.

The words, of course, did not come as easily as the Runnin' Rebels' 65-53 victory against Utah State on Tuesday night. Standing at center court afterward, doused in a spotlight, showered with farewell gifts and the ringing applause of 18,944 spectators. Tarkanian was asked to address the first and only sellout crowd of the season.

Much like his recent attempts to keep his job, it was a lost cause. "I just want to thank everybody for 19 wonderful ... years," he

said, his voice breaking.

Then he started to cry. The same combative man who had defied the National Collegiate Athletic Association and, at times, ignored its rules; who had fought openly and hitterly with much of the UNLV hierarchy, and who has vowed to take legal action if his rescinded resignation was not honored ...

was overcome with emotion. He tried to speak once more. Again he failed.
"I can't talk," he said, walking

away from the microphone.

# 5 Players at Bryant Linked To College Gambling Ring

PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island — Bryant College has kicked one player off its basketball team and suspended four others following allegations they were involved in a college-centered gambling ring. The college also announced Tuesday the creation of a six-member

sak force to study the problem of student gambling.

State police said last week the five players had bet on college sports, and other players allegedly collected debts for the ring.

Captain Brian Andrews of the state police said the five had wagered as much as \$54,000.

Andrews said two of the five suspected of involvement at Bryant were Christopher (C.J.) Simmons, a senior from Wall, New Jersey, and David Burrows, a sophomore from Milton, New Hampshire. He would not name the other three.

William E. Trueheart, president of Bryant, refused to identify any of the five allegedly involved. Bryant, a business college with about 3,000 full-time students, is an NCAA Division 11 school. It was 3-24 this season, 2-16 in the

Northeast 10 Athletic Conference. Trueheart confirmed that the college had expelled a student

accused of masterminding the college-based gamhling ring that allegedly operated at Bryant, the University of Rhode Island and other colleges that police have not identified Bryant senior Matthew Zimmerman, 21, of Providence was arrested last week on charges of extortion, bookmaking, possession of

marijuana, racketeering, conspiracy and organized criminal gambling.

The police said that Zimmerman's roommate, Dennis J. Millette
J. 7. of Provide the also was charged and that they believe student
Raymond Damaso, 22, of Narragansett, who was arrested last week,

was connected to Zimmerman. Rhode Island has said it will conduct two investigations; one into

whether athletes or coaches were involved in the ring and another into illegal gambling in dormitories. University officials said they expect the investigations to take up to two months,

The crowd spoke for him. "Keep Tark! Keep Tark!" it chanted. Tarkanian will eventually leave

UNLV — and it is only a question of when he cleans out his office as the all-time winningest coach by percentage (83.7 percent) in the history of Division I basketball. He took the Runnin' Rehels to 12 NCAA tournaments and four semifinals. A national championship won in 1990 remains his most cherished accomplishment.

As for this season, the sixthranked Rebels, despite the many distractions, finished at 26-2 over-all and 18-0 in the Big West Con-ference. Barring a successful legal challenge, the team will remain ineligible for postseason play because of NCAA sanctions.

But Tarkanian's 24-year career, 19 of which were spent at UNLV, will also be known for its controversies. His legacy included high drama, as well as appearances in high court. Tarkanian, it seemed, was always battling something or some-body—the NCAA, UNLV's presi-dent, Robert Maxson, its regents, other coaches, the legal system.

In keeping with tradition, Tar-kanian's final few days as coach were no different. On Monday, he called for an independent investigation into the

basketball program, a suggestion quickly dismissed by Maxson.

It did not stop there. Whenever questioned about his future plans, a playful Tarkanian said, "I might go to Harvard or Yale, I'm not

He was equally evasive during his boosters' luncheon on Tuesday at the Thomas & Mack Center, a weekly affair that attracted an overflow crowd of 350, many of whom wore T-shirts that read, "Keep Tark, Fire Maxson,"

For \$6.50 each, the faithful were treated to an Armenian menu and the chance to hear Tarkanian deliver a handful of one-liners, all of which were directed at Maxson; the university's counsel, Brad Booke; the former athletic director, Dennis Finfrock, or the NCAA,

"Where's Booke and Finfrock?" "Booke's probably too busy vid-

UNLV administrator who last year ordered a camera to be secretly lights were dimmed once more.



path to the basket, then LSU was cut short in overtime, 106-92,

duct of the Rebels' practice facility. "And Finfrock's probably over at the office (of the Las Vegas Review-Journal] with more news."

At game time, along the court-side called "Gucci Row" where UNLV's most ardent and wealthy supporters sit, nearly everyone wore hlack T-shirts with silver "TARK" lettering on the front and Tarkanian's old jersey number, 2, on the hack. Two of the women started crying as soon as Tarkanian made his first appearance at 6:59. Such was the level of emotion.

The game itself was an annoyance more than anything, a preface to the real spectacle. For most of the contest, Tarkanian did little more than slouch near the scorer's table, staring glumly as the Rebels finally took control in the final minutes. With five seconds left, he allowed himself another smile and eotaping," said Tarkanian of the then hugged each UNLV player. Minutes later, after the house

installed in the air-conditioning Tarkanian sat quietly as a highlight video was shown on two huge screens suspended from the rafters. Later, he was presented with gifts galore, including Tuesday night's game towel in a glass case, a replica of UNLV's 1990 national championship banner and four silver-plated UNLV season tickets, to he at his disposal forever.

> What meant the most, he said, was the applause, the affection. If he was moved hy "Ax-Max(son)" signs in the crowd or the occasional chants of, "Keep Tark, fire Maxson," he did not acknowledge it. So the Tarkanian era - at least,

according to the UNLV administration - is complete. No more Shark Tank. No more shark mascot, And. it hopes, no more controversies. Before leaving the arena, the most controversial coach of them

points and 7 rebounds in the first half for LSU (18-8, 11-4), finished with 21 points and 14 rebounds. But he did not score in the final all paused long enough to join a few friends for a champagne toast, For 111/2 minutes of regulation or the Jerry Tarkanian, the hubbly never tive-minute overtime.

## SIDELINES

Ohio State

Gives Lesson

To Michigan

It took just 31 seconds for Michi-

gan to show that the Wolverines

can still look like just a bunch of

played fast and loose with the ball

three consecutive times in the sec-ond half, and fifth-ranked Ohio

With the Wolverines leading by 57-52 with 6:50 to play, they fell apart. Then, after Ohio State's 10-0

run, Michigan pulled to with 64-61 with 3:57 left. But Chris Jent added

sending the game into overtime. His two straight baskets in over-

time made it a 93-87 lead. Todd

Day added 27 points, 19 in the

second half, as the Razorbacks

took a one-game lead over LSU in

Shaquile O'Neal, who had 11

the SEC West.

19-year-olds.

# Evans and Biondi Gain U.S. Team

INDIANAPOLIS (WP) — Janet Evans and Matt Biondi, the two best known swimmers now competing in the United States, have qualified for

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Evans, who failed to make the team in both the 400-meter individual medley and the 200-meter freestyle, won the 400-meter freestyle Tuesday night in 4 minutes, 9.47 seconds. That was well off her world record of

4:03.85, set at the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul.

Biondi, a veteran of both the 1984 and 1988 Olympics who had finished a dismal sixth in the 100-meter butterfly, won the 100-meter freestyle in 49.31, slower than both his morning qualifying time of 49.17 and his world record of 48.42, set at the 1988 U.S. Olympic trials. The 18th-ranked Wolverines

# America 3 Again Defeats Conner SAN DIEGO (AP)—Bill Koch's America 3 continued its dominance

State converted the turnovers into three baskets during a 10-0 run that of Dennis Conner's Stars & Stripes by winning the opening race of Round led to a 77-66 Big Ten victory Tues-day night in Columbus, Ohio. 3 of the America's Cup defender selection series by 1 minute, 11 seconds.

America 3, sailing in 10- to 14-knot winds, rounded the 20.03-nauticalmile (32.23-kilometer) Pacific Ocean course in 2 hours, 16 minutes, 15 seconds. That was the fastest time yet, even though helmsman Buddy Melges said a winch shaft broke on the fourth leg, allowing Conner to close to 17 seconds. New Zealand had held the fastest time at 2:17:46. "I'll tell you, you'd better beat Michigan right now because they're going to be a great team," said the Ohio State coach, Randy Ayers. The scary part is they had three or four freshmen on the floor the whole night and still competed

### NHL Players Vote Strike Mandate

NEW YORK (AP) — National Hockey League players are getting ready for a possible strike, though both sides hope a new collective bargaining agreement can be reached before a walkout.

Players on at least 11 teams have voted unanimously to give the head of

the NHL Players Association, Boh Goodenow, a strike mandate to take into meetings with league governors next Monday and Tuesday in New York. The other teams were to vote later this week.

#### the finishing touch with a 3-pointer that put the Buckeyes out of reach. The turning points were the three steals and Chris' 3-pointer," Alpine and Nordic Races Changed

said Jim Jackson, who had 25 points, 13 rebounds and six assists. OBERHOFEN, Switzerland (Reuters) - Because skiers coming from OBERHOFEN, Switzerland (Reuters) — Because skiers coming from races in North America might face transportation problems, the traditional season-ending parallel slaloms, which count only for Nations' Cup points, have been scrapped from the World Cup finals in Crans-Montana, Switzerland, this month, the International Ski Federation said Wednesday.

FIS said the first of the last four World Cup races would now take place March 19, a day later than planned. The revised schedule: March 19, women's super-giant slalom; March 20, men's slalom; March 21, women's giant slalom; March 22, men's slalom.

A World Cup Nordic ski jump and a combined supert acheduled for points, 13 rebounds and six assists. The victory moved Ohio State (20-5, 12-3) within a half-game of first-place Indiana. Chris Webber led Michigan (17-8, 8-7) with 17 points and 12 rebounds.

No. 7 Arkansas 106, No. 23 LSU 92: Lee Mayberry made a school-

 A World Cup Nordic ski jump and a combined event scheduled for Falun, Sweden, this weekend will be held in Trondheim because of a lack of snow, organizers said Wednesday. The men's and women's skiing relays and individual events will be held in Funasdalen, Sweden.

# record nine 3-pointers and got a career-high 35 points as Arkansas (23-6, 12-3) rallied from a 15-point halftime deficit to win a Southeastern Conference game in overtime in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Mayberry, who scored 23 points in the second half, with a 3-pointer that tied it at 87 with 1:19 left

The Big Apple Bites on Grand Prix

NEW YORK (NYT) — Despite complaints over tobacco advertising and a lack of support by community leaders. New York City has granted approval to the Mariboro Grand Prix of New York, an annual auto race that will start settling the financial districts windown again a new 1002. that will start rattling the financial district's windowpanes in June 1993.

The Franchise and Concession Review Committee voted Tuesday to approve a 10-year agreement for a race over a 1.3-mile track using streets around the World Trade Center. The first race, with most of the same cars and drivers from the Indianapolis 500, is set for June 27, 1993.

#### For the Record

Australia's first rugby union match against South Africa in 21 years will be layed Aug. 22 in Cape Town, Australian officials said Wednesday. (AFP) Lella Lombardi, 49, the only woman driver to win a point in a Formula One race, has died in Milan of liver cancer. Lombardi, who drove 12 times for Brabham and March in 1975 and 1976, was sixth in the 1975 Spanish Grand Prix, shortened by a crash that killed five persons. (Reuters)

# **BOOKS**

#### DEBATING PC: The Controversy Over Political Correctness on College Campuses

Edited by Paul Berman. 338 pages. \$8, paper. Laurel/Dell, 666 Fifth Avenue. New York, N.Y. 10103.

## C HOULD a college student be pun-

ished for using language offensive to minorities, women or homosexuals? Is Tolstoy a great artist who speaks to the world, or a DWEM (dead, white European male), representative of a Eurocentric cultural hias? Is democratic pluralism still a viable social ideal, or has American culture become a fragmented collection of small warring groups?
These are the sorts of questions raised

by the acrimonious new debate over "polineal correctness."

On one side are the radicals, who argue that traditional courses at American universities have been unjustly dominated by the culture of white males. They want the achievements of women, blacks and other minorities better represented in the curriculum, and some also argue for speech codes to protect members of such groups from verbal abuse.

On the other side are the traditionalists, who argue that the radicals have subordinated the teaching of the humanities to political imperatives, substituting ethnic cheerleading for objective stan-

The scholar and cultural critic Paul Berman has assembled a collection of 21 provocative statements on the subject, selected from popular, academic, intellectual and political journals, and the spectrum of opinion is wide.

As Berman notes in his introduction, the roots of the PC dehate go back to the 1960s, with the advent of radical intellec-Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani tual theories in France and radical political movements in America.

volume, on both sides of the PC debate, have interesting and important observations to make.

The critic Irving Howe suggests there is "something grossly patronizing in the notion that while diverse literary studies are appropriate for middle-class white students, something else, racially determined, is required for the minorities." Henry Louis Gates Jr., the W. E. B. Du Bois professor of the humanities at Harvard, says academic critics must not con-fuse triumphs won for "the marginalized and demonized" in the classroom with actual changes in the ontside world.

The poet Katha Pollitt observes that academics on both sides of the debate regard reading as "medicinal"; they share "the anti-pornographer's belief that there is a simple, one-to-one correlation between books and behavior."

Nat Hentoff's report on the curtailment of free speech on college campuses is intelligent, impassioned and chilling. The philosopher John Searle points out that while the dominant American tradi-

tion remains the European tradition -"the United States is, after all, a product of the European Enlightenment" - "yon do not understand your own tradition if you do not see it in relation to others."

Other writers, however, get carried away on the subject of political correctness, resorting to hyperbole and ideological posturing. Even their language grows inflated and inflammatory.

Dinesh D'Souza, the author of "Illiberal Education" has called radical aca-

demicians "Visigoths in Tweed," while Mary Louise Pratt, a professor of comparative literature at Stanford, is quoted referring to Allan Bloom, William Bennett and Saul Bellow, three well-known traditionalists, as "the Killer B's."

Most disturbing in this volume are a few essays hy radicals who shamelessly put their own ideological concerns before the hasie principles of democratic freedom and liberal education. Stanley Fish, a professor of English and law at Duke University, goes so far as to attack the First Amendment. "Speech, in short, is never and could not be an independent value," he writes, "but is always asserted against a background of some assumed conception of the good to which it must yield in the event of conflict." Such statements can only leave the

reader with the conviction that some of the traditionalists' fears about political correctness are very real.

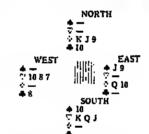
Michiko Kakutani is on the staff of The New York Times.

## **BRIDGE**

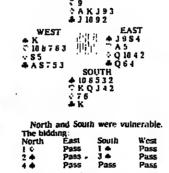
By Alan Truscott

THE diagramed deal is from the Cap Gemini Pandata played in January 1991. Two of the players succeeded in threading their way through a minefield, playing in four spades. A heart was led to the ace and a club was returned. West took the king with the ace and returned the suit, so that South ruffed East's queen.

South led a trump, collecting the king ith the ace, and cashed the queen. Playing another trump at this point would be an error, and South correctly cashed one club winner, throwing a diamond, and played the diamond ace. A diamond ruff and a heart ruff left this ending:



East was helpless when the club ten was led from the dummy. If he ruffed low South would overruff and lead hearts. If he ruffed high he had to lead from the diamond queen or permit South to take the remaining tricks in his hand. And if he refused to ruff at all. diamond plays from the dummy would allow the spade ten to score en passant. NORTH (D)



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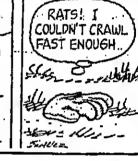
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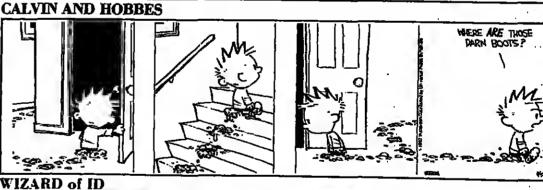
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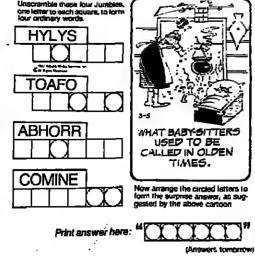


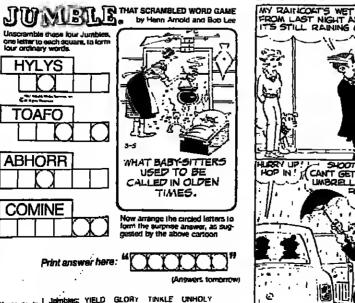




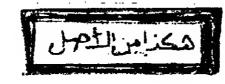


CAN I SEE YOUR TRAP? THE ONE MY DAD SAYS YOU CAN'T KEEP SHUT?"









# **SPORTS**

# India's Prabhakar **Numbs Pakistanis** In World Cricket

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43-run victory in the elash of the Asian cricket giants Wednesday. Prabhakar bowled two miserly spells as Pakistan, chasing 217 in 49 overs to win, crumbled from 105 for two to 173 all out with five balls left. Only Aamir Sohail (62) and Javed Miandad (40) put up any

stay in contention for the semifi-Both teams now bave three

stern resistance against a pumped-up Indian side that had to win to

points from four games. With Prabhakar conceding only four runs in his opening five overs, Pakistan slipped to 17 for two in the sixth over. Sohail and Miandad revived the innings with a sparkling partnership of 88 in 24 overs but the middle order collapsed. Paki-

stan's captain, Imran Khan, was run out for nought.

Imran lasted just five deliveries before he attempted to get off the mark with a nudge on the on-side.

Wicketkeeper Kiran More sped around and fired a throw over the stumps at the bowler's end where Venkatapathy Raju removed the

bails for a close run-out. By the end, Pakistan was batting just to see out the overs and prevent further collapse in its net run-rate. The umpires the India's 49-over total of 216 for tempers cooled.

of 46 from a rookie opener, Ajay Jadeja, followed by teenager Sa-

chin Tendulkar. Tendulkar hit an unbeaten 54 in 62 deliveries, earning him the manof-the-match award, and was well supported by a rousing 35 in 26 deliveries from Kapil Dev.

Imran, playing in pain from his strained right shoulder, set the bowling example, conceding 25 from eight overs while Aagib Javed took two for 28 from eight overs.

The first World Cup meeting between the traditional foes was

marked by loud but good-natured support from the crowd and a moment of unpleasantness on the pitch. With Pakistan 85 for two in the 25th over, umpires David Shepherd and Peter McConnell needed to have words with India's captain,

Mohammad Azharuddin, and Pakistan's vice-captain, Miandad, The latter, then at 19, had argued with More following a rejected caught-behind appeal by the wicket-keeper off Tendulkar.

Shepherd signaled to the More to remain quiet while nonstriker Sohail came down the wicket to tell Miandad to calm himself.

But the Pakistani then exacer-bated the situation by mocking More's jumping up and down after the wicketkeeper unsuccessfully tried to run him out two balls later. The umpires then stepped in and



Ajay Jadeja, India's new opener, built a solid innings of 46 despite some ups and downs.

# **Red Star and Barcelona** Win in Champions' Cup

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Pancev kept Red Star Belgrade on
course to defend its European Club
Champions' Cup soccer title

Rollin defender Amendeo Carooni,
hit the post from the penalty area in
the 63d.

UEFA CUP
Champions' Cup soccer title

Quarterfinals, First Leg

Rollin defense had butle trouble keeping Ghent at bay. The Belgians got only one shot on goal in Wednesday night with a 2-0 victory over Greek nitist Panathinaikos in

Red Star, which beat the French elub Olympique Marseille in last season's final, posted its second victory against one defeat in the round-robin league structure, being used this season for the first time.

 In Kiev, Barcelona beat Dynamo Kiev, 2-0. as Bulgarian striker Hristo Stoichkov and Julio Salinas scored in each half.

Both sides had key midfielders suspended. Kiev loss Andrei Alexankov and Barcelona lost Guillermo Amor.

CLP WINNERS' CUP Quarterfinals, First Leg Roma was booed and whistled by its fans as it was held to a 0-0 tie draw by Monaco in their match in

Rome's Olympic stadium. Return leg games in the Cup Winners Cup and UEFA Cup take

place March 18. The French team, playing the way the visitors seldom do, pressed on the attack, forced Roma to take up a defensive position and had the

match under control throughout.

Monaco's Youssouf Fofana, a flashy winger from the Ivory Coast. hit the bar with a shot from a few meters in the 39th minute. Then Portuguese midfielder Rui Barros. given an open path by a mistake of AA Gheni.

Roma defender Amedeo Carboni,

Quarterfinals, First Leg Sigma Olomouc posted a 1-1 draw against Real Madrid in Prague, where two Spanish players

The enthusiastie home side started offensively, but faced dangerous counterattacks by experienced

Sigma's Pavel Hapal sent a header past goalie Francisco Buyo in the 27th minute on a right wing pass from Jan Marosi 10 give the home

team a 1-0 lead. In the 45th minute Francisco Llorente penetrated the penalty area, Sigma's entire defense missed his pass and Fernando Hierro de-

Referee Francesco Lanese of Italy sent Real's Francisco Villarova off the field in the 72d minute after

cautioning him with a yellow card in the first half. Gheorge Hagi and Juan Jose Maqueda replaced Rafael Gordillo and Emilio Butragueño in the 72d

minute to strengthen Real's de-

Lanese then sent off Luis Milla in the 84th minute for foul play without previous caution.

 In Ghent, Ajax Amsterdam forwards Stefan Pettersson and Dennis Bergkamp wasted several scoring opportunities but Ajax still came away with a 0-0 tie against

the first half. (AP, AFP)

 In Copenhagen, AC Torino defeated Copenhagen B1903, 2-0. after Brazilian forward Walter Casagrande opened the scoring in the 39th minute. Midfielder Roberto Policano added a second goal in the

#### ■ Papin: Whither, When?

Jean-Pierre Papin, the European soccer player of the year, will probably be playing for AC Milan next season, according to that team's president. Silvio Berlusconi. Agence France-Presse reported.

Berlusconi told the sports newspaper L'Equipe that "if Papin comes to play in Italy, it will be for

But the Bernard Tapie, president of Olympique Marseille team for which Papin now plays, once again tried to quash rumors that a con-

tract had been signed. "Don't ask me the same question every day and don't listen to rumors," he said. "I've said that I will announce where Papin is going as

the end of April and not before." Tapie also gave short shrift to reports that Berlusconi had said the deal, worth a record \$16 millions. would be concluded March 17 when the two clubs meet in a

# A Wary Reunion in L.A.

# For 2 Yugoslavs, War Splintered a Friendship

By Harvey Araton

New York Times Service NEW YORK - There would be no tearful reunion between Drazen Petrovic and Vlade Divac Wednesday night at the Forum in Inglewood, California. No cheek-kissing at midcourt, no hugging between old friends, no post-

game dinner to catch up. When Divac's Los Angeles Lakers visited New Jersey to play the Nets in a National Basketball Association game last Dec. 6, Divac was shelved with an injured back. The game Wednesday night would be the first time these longtime teammates on the Yugoslav national team had met in more than a year, the first time

since a war solintered their former country.
"No, I don't think I will talk to him," Petrovic, who is from Zagreb, the capital of the breakaway republic of Croatia, said before

leaving for the West Coast. Divac, from Belgrade in Serbia, might try to take eye contact. He might not force the issue. but a snub is going to hurt, as when Stojko Vrankovic, another Croanian who is the Boston Celtics' reserve center, walked past him at the Forum a couple of weeks ago without so much

Petrovic said he could not forget Divae's yanking away a Croatian flag from teammates in the midst of the Yugoslav national team that was celebrating its European Cup championship in 1990 in Rome. In this stormy story of sportsmen, there is no winner, only a friendship

that sadly became a casualty of war.

The United States is sending its millionaire stars to Barcelona next summer to bring back the Olympic gold medal, while in the process of marketing trendy basketball shoes. The rest of

Europe, meanwhile, will be engaged in a more fascinating struggle — the politically charged, potentially violent, fight for second place.

Imagine a European-zone qualifying-round game in late June or early July between Lithua-nia and the Russian-dominated team from the Commonwealth of Independent States, or Croatia against Yugoslavia. Petrovic, knowing that most of the former national team's stars are Croatian and that Divac is its only noted Serb, said he could not wait.

"Right now," he said.

Divac and Petrovic once shared dreams of playing in the United States, against the best in the world, for money they could barely begin to fathom. As teenagers, they worshiped Julius-Erving and Karcem Abdul-Jabbar from afar, then Magic Johnson and Larry Bird, long before the NBA's marketing and expansion ma-

chine began its European annexation. At 28, in his third NBA season, Petrovic is he Nets' leading scorer (19.8), one of the top five guards in shooting percentage at 51.3. At 24, the 6-foot, 11-inch (2.10-meter) Divac is contractually established as the centerpiece of the Lakers' post-Magic future, having recently signed a six-year extension, putting an end to persistent rumors he would return to play in Europe.

Before the Nets left for Los Angeles on Tuesday, Petrovic said the word was that Divac would be making about \$4 million a year. Impressive, Petrovic agreed, for a tall kid from Belgrade. He still nixed the idea of Divac's taking him out for dinner and picking up the check.

Petrovie said he beld no grudges against former Serb teammates who remain part of Yu-goslavia. Divac, however, crossed the line that day in Rome, which turned out to be the last



Vlade Divac: Snubbed since Rome.

unified competition for the Yugoslav nationals. Amid the on-court celebration, according to Petrovic, a Croatian flag came out of the stands and was soon draped along the eight Croatian players on the team. "Vlade took the flag and went like this," said Petrovic, in a motion of slamming an imaginary flag to the ground.

Since that time, many whom he considered close friends have not spoken a word to Divac. Divac said be had felt no animosity and had intended no disrespect for Croatians. He said he still hoped his former teammates would have a change of heart and not hold the incident against him.

"I did that because it wasn't the Croatian team or the Serbian team that we were playing for," Divac said. "It was the Yugoslav team." Marc Fleisher, who should know, said one Croanan who has remained friendly with Divac is Dino Radja of the Italian League's Il Messaggero Roma. They don't dare stop talking and

upset Fleisher. He is the agent for both.

## Major League Owners Meet To Discuss Sale of Mariners The Associated Press ROSEMONT, Illinois - After 21/2 months of informal debate, the owners of the major league baseball team finally began formal consider-

ation Wednesday of the Japanese-led offer to buy the Seattle Mariners.

Although two days of meetings at an airport botel outside Chicago probably will not result in a final vote on the proposal, at least one owner said the timetable for a decision may be pushed forward.

That owner, speaking on the condition that be not be identified, said he would push for the

issue to be decided quickly.
"I don't think anything definitive will happen," Commissioner Fay Vincent said earlier.
"I don't want to make any predictions as far as The other big issue at the meetings is a proposal to move the St. Louis Cardinals and

Chicago Cubs to the National League's West Division and move the Atlanta Braves and the Cincinnati Reds to the NL East. Until that issue is resolved, the two leagues cannot begin preparing the 1993 schedule, which must be presented to the Major League Baseball Players Association by July 1.

The Cubs have been reluctant to switch because it would force them to play more games out the prime-time hours for television. The issue also affects whether the league will switch to a balanced schedule when it expands to 14 teams next season.

"We feel very comfortable where we are." said the Cubs' general manager, Larry Himes. Any change would need the approval of all the teams involved in the switches. But that

debate will be overshadowed by discussion of the offer to buy the Mariners offer, which consists of \$100 million for the franchise and \$25 million to operate the elub.

The deal would be 60 percent financed by Hiroshi Yamauehi, president of Nintendo Co. Ltd. of Kyoto, Japan. In December, the major league owners rejected a proposal that would allow non-North Americans to buy up to 37 percent of a team, and Vincent said approval of the proposal was unlikely. But the Nintendo offer has reopened the debate.

Fred Kuhlmann of the Cardinals, chairman of the concership committee, said it has all the

data necessary to consider the offer. "We've gotten a lot of information and it'll come up at our meeting," Kuhimann said. "I don't know what will come out of these meet-

The Mariners' present owner, Jeff Smulyan, is trying to sell the team because of cash-flow Nintendo group has said it will not go ahead with a purchase unless it can buy a majority share in the team, and it has rejected at least one proposal to allow another investor to join

Seattle business and government leaders say they fear Smulvan will attempt to sell the team to interests in St. Petersburg, Florida, if this

proposal is rejected. "It's hard to predict what will bappen," Greenberg said. "We have not had a single substantive discussion yet."

■ Orioles, McDonald in Agreement

The Baltimore Orioles and right-handed pitcher Ben MeDonald have come to terms on a

# Selling to Nintendo

Bothers Many in U.S. New York Times Service

NEW YORK — The proposed purchase of the Seattle Mariners by Nintendo Co. of Japan is disconcerting to a majority of Americans, according to the latest New Americans, according to the latest New York Times/CBS News Poll.

There is "something about" Japanese companies buying major league teams that "bothers" 57 percent of the 1,673 adults nationwide interviewed by telephone. Eight percent said they thought it was all

right; 34 percent said it didn't matter. The survey was conducted from Feb. 26 to March 1 and bas a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points. While the question of Japanese ownership of major league teams has centered on the Mariners, those polled in the western part of the country were the least upset.

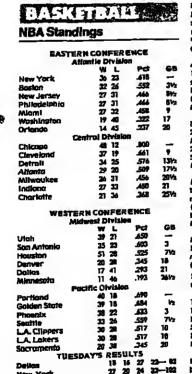
Half said they were bothered. Respondents in the Northeast and Mid-west were the most troubled, with 61 percent reporting that something about Japa-nese ownership bothered them. In the South, 55 percent said they were bothered

one-year contract worth \$355,000, leaving 13 unsigned players in training camp. The Associated Press reported from Sarasota, Florida, McDonald, the Orioles' first-round draft

pick in 1989, is eligible for salary arbitration next year and, because of that, said Tuesday there was no reason to get concerned over what might be considered a low salary by today's standards.

"It basically came down to that I didn't want to squabble for that kind of money," said Mc-Donald, whose record was 6-8 with a 4.84 earnrun average in 21 starts spanning 126.1 innings

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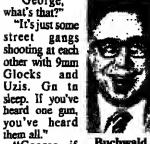
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### ART BUCHWALD

# Guns Along the Potomac

four blocks from the battlefields of Washington's own Desert Storm. Sometimes when I pass the White House late at night, I wonder what he and Barbara talk about when they hear the gunfire outside.

"George, what's that?"
"It's just some street gangs shooting at each other with 9mm Glocks and Uzis. Gn tn sleep. If you've heard one gun,



them all." "George, if Buchwald you can disarm the Russians, why can't you stop the gun proliferation in the United States? I read that the U.S. has enough handguns to kill every child in the country 100 times

"The reason I can get an arms reduction treaty with the Russians is that they don't have a National Rifle Association in deal with. I do. If Yeltsin had the NRA on his back they wouldn't let him destroy a single MIRV in Siberia."

"Don't the NRA leaders in Washington hear the guns being

Nn. Most of their lobbyists live in Virginia. Now say your prayers and go back to sleep.

"George, how did the gangs get Not legally, I'll tell you that. I've made it perfectly clear that if someone without a driver's license huys a gun, our government will do in them what we did to Saddam

"I don't understand why they sell automatic pistols and handguns in the first place. They cer- Paul Tsongas as it is."

WASHINGTON — The president and his wife live only except killing another teenager."

"Barbara, guns don't kill people. The Democratic Congress kills people. They have been holding up my tough crime hill for months now. The criminals know that with a Democratic majority, no one is going to stop them from shooting

each other." "George, that might play in the campaign, but it is not very convincing in the Lincoln Bedroom."

"Look, Barbara, we have to be practical about this. I don't like to hear street gangs having a shootout any more than you do. But this is an election year and no one in his right mind would oppose the NRA on the issue of firearms. If I even hint that I want to register handguns, the gun fighters will throw garbage all over the White House lawn. Besides, Pat Buchanan is for guns, and if I come ont against them, he'll have one more rightwing issue to use against me."

"Well, George, if you win, I think that we should move to a safer part of town. You can't even walk in the streets at night around the White House any more."

"Barbara, you're getting worked up over a little shootout in the neighborhood. Here are some earplugs — they'll heip you to sleep."
"George, I hear ambulances on Pennsylvania Avenue. Dn yon

think that someone got killed?"
"That's my point, if a person did get killed, the perpetrators will probably be on the streets again tomorrow night. Because the Democrats made this a political issue, the gangs don't think twice before

they use their Berettas."
"I don't see why you just don't ban all semiaummatic weapons." "I can't do that. The gun lovers would use it as political ammunition against me, and I am going to have enough trouble moving down

the campaign would generate at least \$600 million from those who

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#### life has the steamroller inevitability of a classical tragedy.

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Her novel of Harlem

and my eight brothers and my grandfather and my great-grandfather with me."

And Peter Lane leaned close and said: "You tell them that we come from Madagascar, and we're stranglers, and this town

No one ever bothered him again. It sounds like a fable. Maybe it is. "Maybe," says Peter's daughter, Ann Petry, "it's one of those stories that is what they call apocryphal."

Petry, who tells this tale from her 200-

year-old sea captain's house less than a mile from the drugstore, is celebrated for being the author of a much grimmer story. Called "The Street," it was an immediate success apon publication in 1946. Relaunched this mooth in paperback by its original publisher. Houghton Mifflin, "The Street" has the steamroller inevitahility of a classical tragedy. In scenes of startling directness it sketches the life of Lutie Johnson, who wants only to shield her 8-year-old soo from the traps set by Harlem's poverty, crime and despair.

Streets like the one she lived on were no accident. They were the North's lynch mobs, she thought bitterly; the method the big cities used to keep Negroes in their place. And she began thinking of Pop unable to get a job: of Jim slowly disintegrating because he, too, couldn't get a job, and of the subsequent wreck of their marriage; of Bub left to his own devices after school. From the time she was born, she had been hemmed into an ever-narrowing space, until now she was very nearly walled in and the wall had been built up brick by brick by eager white hands.

One of the mysteries of "The Street" is how the 83-year-old Petry, who has led such a relatively charmed existence much more isolated from racism and sexism than most black women of her genera-

tion - produced a book so full of fury. She gives one of her frequent laughs. "I have been blessed or cursed," she says, with a tremendous amount of imagination." All she oeeded was a spark to kindle

the flame. It began with the children.

The Mean Street

Of Ann Petry

By David Streitfeld

O LD SAYBROOK, Connecticut — Pe-ter Lane had a fancy mustache that

was twirled at the ends, a new wife and a

license to practice pharmacy. Ninety years

ago he came to this pretty resort town and

opened his own drugstore. It sounds simple

A couple of weeks later, a little old man

came into the shop. "They don't want a black pharmacist here," he announced,

except of course the word he used wasn't

"black." If Lane didn't leave within 24

hours, they were going to run him out of

Lane thought about this for a moment,

maybe even subbed his finger against that lavish mustache, and finally said: "I don't

know who they are, but you tell them that

any night they think they can run me out of

town, they can try. Maybe they can. But tell

them I'll be back, and I'll bring my father,

enough, but Peter Lane was black.

After Ann Lane and George Petry were married in 1938, they moved to New York. George was the manager of a restaurant, Ann a reporter and hopeful short-story writer. For a time she also worked at a Harlem elemeotary school that was crowded with latchkey kids. "They had nowhere to go after school because there was nobody home." Petry remembers. "So we had all kinds of crafts and games and read stories to them."

She recalls one child in particular, "a little boy who said he lived with a lady he didn't even know what her name was. This to me came as a shock; an absolute shock. Even though I had been living near Harlem, I don't think you're ever aware of children or what happens to them unless you've been put in a situation like that."

The men stood around and the women worked. The men left the women and the women went on working and the kids were left alone. The kids burned lights all night because they were alone in small, dark rooms and they were afraid. Alone. Always alone. They wouldn't stay in the house after school because they were afraid in the empty, silent, dark rooms. And they should have been playing in wide stretches of green park and instead they were in the street. And the street reached out and sucked them up.

Bub is one of those kids. He might have a chance to make it, but he gets trapped in his mother's tragic flaw. Lutie, unfortunately, is beautiful, and she pays the price.

Says Boots Smith, the bandleader who toys with her about a job as a singer: "All you got to do from now is just be nice to me, baby." The oily singing-school instructor with "skin the color of the underside of a fish," the creepy super who sneaks into her apartment to fondle her clothes.

In New York, Petry saw Lutie all around her. These young women, who really I think are beautiful, and who I guess are regarded as fair game by" -and she pauses for just a hit, to put an edge na it - "the males in this society. You see this over and over again." Her voice trails off.

The males more than met their match in Ann Petry. The photo on the first edition of "The Street" shows a handsome woman, hair swept hack and teeth bared in an uncomfortable smile. Elsewhere on the jacket, the author's résumé is given in extensive detail - registered pharmacist, former member of the American Negro Theatre, executive secretary of the civic organizatioo Negro Women Inc., ad sales-woman and copywriter for ooe Harlem problem was to write this book, which



Ann Petry, author of "The Street," first published in 1946.

weekly, editor of the women's pages and general news reporter for another, covering three-alarm fires and political rallies "and reporting on murders and all other forms of sudden death." This was a woman who could handle anyone or anything. Both Ann and her sister Helen came along after several years of trying and one child who died in infancy, so their parents cherished them. The same thing happened with the Petrys' one child.

"We had been married for a hundred years, but we couldn't have any children," says Petry dreamily. "Then we had Liz." A journalist turned lawyer, Liz Petry has reverted in being a reporter in a oeighbor-

ing lown to be near her parents.

"The Street upset me dreadfully when I was young," says Liz Petry. "My mother really is a very upbeat person, and I was surprised that it was so down. I can only guess at what she went through when she moved to New York and saw all these disenfranchised people, totally lacking power in a way that she and our family

maybe was something that people who had grown up in Harlem couldn't do."

Petry is a little stooped, but otherwise

bears her age lightly as she bustles around making fresh coffee, offering up some of George's homemade rye hread. She's irritated that the photograph on the new edition of "The Street" shows ber using a cane. That, she asserts, was just a prop the photographer asked her to hold, not something she is so infirm as to actually need.
It's been a long time between books. Her third and last novel for adults, "The Narrows" — a complex tale of interracial love

that is considered by a few critics to be even better than "The Street" - came out in 1953. Since then her output has been sparse: a collection of stories, plus severalchildren's titles. She says she's still writing. Ironically, the Harlem depicted in the oovel is almost benign when set against the current situation. "You have this whole

drug thing oow, with crack," says Petry,
"You have this business of lack of housing. That hasn't decreased, it's increased. Then there's the morder rate, the infant mortal-

### **PEOPLE**

#### Bacall's Famous Line Is No Longer Needed

The first line Lauren Bacall uttered in her first movie, "To Have and Have Not," was "Have you got a match?" "It was very effective; it made an impression at the time," Bacall said, even as she tried to make a different kind of impression at a conference in New York promoting an anti-smoking device.
"Bette Davis was my herome," she said. "She used cigarettes so dra-matically, and I wanted to be like her." Humphrey Bogart, Bacall's first husband, died of lung cancer in 1957, but not until Bacall was touring in Australia in 1986 did she succeed in stopping her own smoking. It was unintended, she said, as one cigarette-less day at a time.

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The Richard Tucker Music Foundation has given its top award for 1992 to the soprano Deborah Voigt, 31, a native of Fullerton, California. The honor includes a \$30,000 cash award, the largest individual stipend for voice. It is named for the American tenor Richard Tucker, who died in 1975,

A British Broadcasting Corp. program left an unfair impression that NBC's Arthur Kent saw himself as a heroic "Rambo" figure during the Gulf War, the Broadcasting Complaints Commission said in London. It upheld part of a complaint by the Rome-based correspondent, about an edition of "The Late Show" that explored media issues arising from the war. The commission said it unfairly diminished his reputation as a serious fareign correspondent.

Diana, Princess of Wales, saluted 12 of Europe's bravest children on Wednesday, among them a 13-year-old Spanish girl whose legs were hlown off by a bomb. The wife of Prince Charles presented the first Children of Europe awards at a lunch in London. Diana heard how Irene Villa from Madrid "never lost her smile" despite losing both legs to a bomb planted by Basque separatists in Madrid. Another award went to Luca Ottavi, 17, of Italy, a student who suffered severe chest wounds when he aided a woman being attacked hy two muggers, one armed with a knife.

One of Lyndon B. Johnson's favorite hats was auctiooed for \$10,000 at a Washington dinner to mark Texas Independence Day and raise money for scholarships. Lyn-da Johnson Robb, the former U.S. president's older daughter and wife of Senator Charles Robb, Democrat of Virginia, brought the gray felt cowboy hat. Notanda Hill of Dalias shelled out the \$10,000.

#### New York City Plugs Its Arts New York Times Service oext February. He predicted that

EW YORK - "New York Celebrates the Arts," an international campaign to promote New York City's cultural life around the nary range of cultural and arts ac-tivities" around the city. world and attract tourists, has been announced by the New York International Festival of the Arts.

Martin E. Segal, the chairman of the festival organization, said that it would be working with thouwriters along with 235 foreign em-bassies and consulates and U.S. embassies in 34 countries on the

Segal said the \$650,000 cam- the New York Aquarium.

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Currency: \$1 equals 5.5 French francs. Neighborhoods: The Seine divides the city into its northern and southern halves. In the middle is the lle de la Cité with the cathedral of

Notre Dame. The Left Bank is home to the Litin Quarter, the Sorbonne, the National Assembly, the Senate and the Eiffel Tower. The Right Bank features the main shopping and business areas, including the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs-Elysées, the Place de la Concorde, the Louvre and the Pompidou Center. La Défense, at the city's western limit, is a new business district that is home to many multinational companies.

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Neighborhoods: This Andalusian city boats Phoenician, Greek. Roman. Visigoth and Moorish influences, and its rich heritage is reflected in its striking architecture, sunny squares and narrow streets. The old city is situated to the north of the Guadalquiver River, with the cathedral, bullring and university quarter all located in the eastern part. The train station is located at the southern tip. The island of Cartuja, just across the river to the south, is the home of a 15th-century monastery. The island has now been transformed into the site of Expo

### CALENDAR

March 16-25: Ready-to-Wear Fashion Shows. Cour Carree du Louvre. Tel.: 42 66 64 44

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